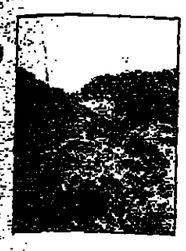
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Operation Irma victims fly in

Row with UN casts shadow over airlift

By Richard Beeston in Sarajevo and Our Foreign Staff

■ Bosnian casualties were safe in British and Swedish hospitals last night. But the row over who should have been chosen showed no sign of abating

NEARLY 40 sick and wounded Bosnians escaped the horrors of Sarajevo yesterday in the biggest medical airlift from the city since the civil war began.

Twenty-one people, including seven children, were brought to Britain, and a further 18 were flown to Sweden. But while the relief showed on the faces of the patients, continued sniping between Britain and the United Nations cast an unwelcome shadow over Operation Irma.

The UN High Commissioner for Refugees' chief medical officer for Sarajevo accused Britain of launching a public relations exercise and of treating the sick children like animals in a zoo. Dr Patrick Peillod's scepticism was echoed in the streets of Sarajevo, but people were still grateful for help. "It's never too late for the sick and wounded," one woman said. "Whatever the reasons for helping us now, we should be grateful."

The 21 patients brought to Britain yesterday included nine on stretchers, while the others were suffering from fractures, infection, head injuries and chronic disease. Some of the "walking wounded" were of military age, but officials insisted that there were no soldiers among the evacuees.

They were taken first by Hercules transport plane to Ancona in northern Italy, where they were examined by doctors at a makeshift field hospital in an old hangar before continuing their journey to Britain on board a chartered Russian jet that had been equipped with an operating theatre and intensive care unit.

At Heathrow, 13 patients left the plane for treatment in London hospitals, while the others continued north to Birmingham and Leeds. Specialist hospitals in Buckinghamshire, Oxford, the Midlands and Sheffield had all made preparations for the war victims.

The London contingent included three-year-old Belma Salaka, whose condition prompted the RAF doctor Andy Mitchell to speak out about the UN's management of the evacuation on Friday. Belma had not been on the UN's original list, but her name was added at the last moment along with that of Adis Avdic, five, whose mother told Dr Mitchell he was her son's only hope.

Belma's mother braved sniper fire to get the child to Kosevo hospital in Sarajevo two weeks ago when she realised how sick her daughter was. Belma, who will be four on Saturday, is suffering from meningitis and was last night taken to Great Ormond Street hospital, which is already treating Irma Hadzimuratovic, the five-year-old Bosnian girl who gave her name to yesterday's airlift.

On Friday, Dr Mitchell had described Belma as "another Irma" and yesterday she was sedated and put on a ventilator to stabilise her deteriorating condition during the flights. Dr Tony Redmond, who led the airborne medical team, said she was very poorly. "I am extremely pleased that we got her out when we did. She's causing great concern." Another doctor said that Belma had been having trouble breathing when she boarded the aircraft and her level of consciousness was deteriorating. By putting her on a ventilator, doctors were giving her body a rest from the effort she was needing to breathe. Once at Great Ormond Street, she underwent an immediate brain scan.

Other children brought out of Sarajevo yesterday included 11-year-old Edhem Dedovic, who was so excited by the prospect of the journey that he could not sleep on Saturday night, a eight-year-old boy with a congenital heart condition, children with fractures and shell injuries and a baby girl suffering from liver failure.

At least 400 more casualties remain imprisoned in the besieged Bosnian capital, crippled by war wounds or wasting away from disease that could be treated in almost any general hospital. "We stress there are many more critically ill and wounded people in Bosnia," Peter Kessler of the UNHCR said, but Dr Mitchell said he was confident that for the time being all emergency cases appeared to have been evacuated and UN officials said they were delighted with the operation.

It is now expected that any further evacuations will concentrate on central Bosnia, but Downing Street said last night that there were no immediate plans for another airlift. A spokesman said: "We have been able to bring slightly more people out than anticipated; we will now want to assess the position and see what further help we can give.

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Farewell Sarajevo: two children and their mother saying goodbye to relatives as they prepare for their evacuation to Britain yesterday

Secret tunnel keeps siege city supplied

By Joel Brand in Sarajevo and Michael Evans

THE people of Sarajevo have built a cramped 700-yard tunnel under the airport there, mostly by hand, to survive shortages of food and fuel.

The tunnel is described as so low that people passing through have to bend down. Only one person at a time can walk down it and the air is reported to be so poor that gas masks are worn. There is no ventilation or electricity. The thousands of people who have apparently crossed it have to use torches. The desperation of the people, often deprived of proper food for days, drove them to build the primitive escape route, reminiscent of some of the tunnels constructed by prisoners of war during the second world war.

The tunnel took several months to dig and is held up by wooden stanchions and lined with planks, *The New York Times* reported. Although thousands of Sarajevans have first-hand knowledge of the tunnel's existence, it has been a point of patriotic commitment to remain silent.

The Bosnian Serbs are aware of the existence of the tunnel, which links two suburbs, one of which is outside the Serb siege lines. However, they have not succeeded in destroying it. The Serbs have repeatedly complained to the UN about the tunnel, demanding it be sealed off. Sarajevo airport has been controlled by the UN since June last year and hundreds of Bosnians have crossed the runway in the dark, under threat of Serb snipers and gunners, bringing food and ammunition into the city. Now it seems many of them may have been using the safer route through the tunnel.

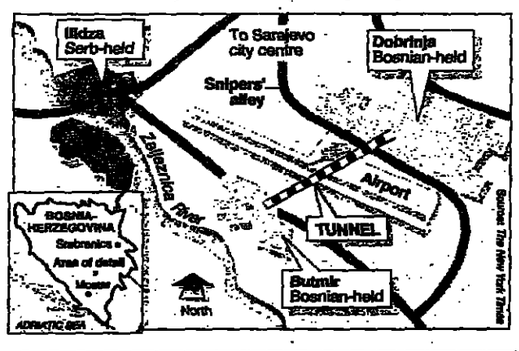
It is not known why the Bosnian government allows the surface crossings to continue when the nightly toll often includes two or three deaths as well as several wounded. Those who have used the tunnel say that the surface crossings began months before the underground route was completed and served then, as now, as a distraction.

Last night UN sources in Bosnia confirmed they knew about the tunnel, which reportedly runs from Dobrinja, a suburb on the northeast side of the airport to Butmir in the southwest. Both entrances are heavily guarded by Muslim forces and Serb attacks have been repelled.

The impact of the tunnel is far greater than merely forging a link between two suburbs. For it helps to connect the Sarajevo lifeline that runs all the way across Mount Igman, a key point in the supply route from where the Serb forces have now withdrawn and along continuous mountain trails to the Adriatic coast.

The New York Times said a Bosnian soldier who walked through the tunnel recently to reinforce the troops defending Mount Igman, reported that conditions were so perilous only people considered strong enough were allow to enter. He was quoted as saying: "It took me 20 minutes and I was exhausted. Once you are in there, you are on your own, no way of communicating, nothing but a flashlight. The air is so dank you think you are going to die." According to the report, the tunnel has also been used to bring ammunition for tanks and other heavy weapons used by Bosnian forces defending Sarajevo. Some wounded have also been taken through to the hospitals in Sarajevo.

During the Vietnam war, the Viercong made use of an elaborate network of tunnels. The North Koreans also built tunnels under the border with South Korea to be used in the event of an offensive.



First BCCI fraud trial flops in US

From Philip Robinson in New York

THE first big trial in the BCCI banking fraud scandal has ended in embarrassing defeat for the prosecution in New York amid complaints from the jury that it had been deluged with meaningless documents and unbelievable witnesses.

After deliberating for four days, jurors decided on Saturday night to dismiss all allegations brought by New York State against Robert Altman, 46, a Washington lawyer. Mr Altman and his law partner Clark Clifford, Washington power broker and former defence secretary in the Jimmy Carter administration, were indicted last year on charges of taking bribes in exchange for helping BCCI hide its illegal ownership of US banks.

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A-level pupils must hit target

By Ben Preston

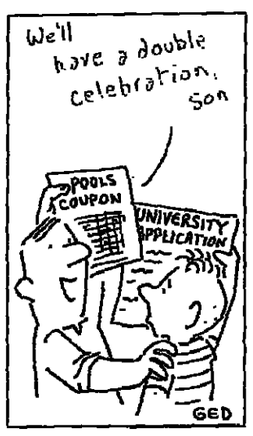
THOUSANDS of A-level students face disappointment this week because of a squeeze on university places.

The rapid recent expansion of higher education is being stopped in its tracks after cuts of up to 30 per cent in government fees to arts and social science courses. Candidates who fail to meet their required grades when A-level results are published on Thursday might be rejected.

Universities are unlikely to make allowances for those who miss their target by one or two grades. Others with the right A-level points, but in the wrong subjects, could also be turned down.

Those applying for arts and social science courses are most at risk. Experts are already advising students to consider switching to a science-based course where the pressure for places will be less.

Mike Scott, deputy chief executive of the Polytechnics Central Admissions System, said: "Universities will not have the usual leeway to accept people who narrowly miss their grades. As a result more people will join the clearing system and the competition will be much tougher than last year."



Mr Scott said several new universities had withdrawn from the clearing process, which tries to match up students who fail to get the grades for their first-choice university with spare places on other courses. Manchester Metropolitan, the largest new university, does not expect vacancies for teacher training, social sciences or arts this summer. Nottingham Trent has also pulled out of clearing for teacher training, arts and humanities courses.

There are expected to be about 260,000 university places this summer — roughly the same as last year — but the number of applicants has increased by more than 10,000 to over 400,000.

The Times will publish detailed advice and guidance for university and college applicants after A-level results are published and will help readers to find their way through clearing procedures as they or their children seek a place.

☐ Teacher training colleges are bastions of "progressive" teaching methods and a barrier to raising standards in state schools, according to the Campaign for Real Education. Ideological bias is evident in the widespread failure of colleges to instruct students properly in the phonics method of teaching children to read, it says.

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Triumph for Christie

LINFORD Christie won the 100m title at the world athletics championships in Stuttgart last night with a time of 9.87 seconds, just one-hundredth of a second outside the world record set by Carl Lewis two years ago.

Christie beat the leading Americans, Andre Cason, Dennis Mitchell and Lewis, who finished second, third and fourth respectively.

Christie, 33, now possesses the world, Olympic, Commonwealth and European titles. His winning time was 0.05 seconds faster than the European record he set when he finished fourth in the world championships two years ago.

Cason took the silver medal in 9.92 seconds and Mitchell the perennial third man, claimed the bronze in 9.99 seconds. Lewis, fourth in 10.02 seconds, lost to Christie for the third successive time this season.

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... and triumph for Hill

DAMON Hill opened his Formula One account in Budapest yesterday when he led from start to finish to win the Hungarian grand prix.

Driving a Williams-Renault, Hill gave a display of near faultless driving in energy-sapping conditions to beat Riccardo Patrese by 71 seconds and emerge from the shadows cast by Nigel Mansell, his predecessor, and Graham Hill, his late father.

"Disconnect the phone lines to Florida," Frank Williams, the Williams team owner, said in a reference to Mansell, who now drives in America. "England has a new hero."

Hill's task at the circuit where Mansell clinched the world championship last year was made easier when Alain Prost, his team-mate, stalled on the grid before the warm-up lap and had to start in 26th position. The Frenchman fought his way through the field to third place before a problem with the rear wing of his car ended his comeback.

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How Times readers can save lives in Bosnia now

Martin Bell reports from Tuzla

WHOEVER is guilty of creating the hell that is Bosnia today, Adisa Ekrem and thousands of children like her are the innocent victims.

I discovered the six-year-old girl in an overcrowded makeshift refugee shelter near Tuzla. Orphaned after a devastating mortar blast, Adisa herself was now fighting for her life. The shelter was desperately short of food, particularly the food needed by young children.

At first hand, I witnessed the work of Feed the Children, the aid agency which delivers food and medical and hygiene supplies direct to children in immediate need.

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The medical experts may have been divided over the morality of Operation Irma, but there

Rescue operation is clouded by dispute over evacuees

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN SARAJEVO

IN THE end, the airlift of 39 casualties of the war in Bosnia was carried out with military precision, but the operation was still overshadowed by the dispute between Britain and the UN over who should be flown to safety.

The relief of those escaping the siege of Sarajevo was visible on the faces of the patients and relatives being evacuated yesterday but Dr Patrick Peillod, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees' chief medical officer for Sarajevo, intensified his criticism of the British approach to the operation.

The French doctor accused the British government of orchestrating a cynical publicity stunt and of ignoring the real medical needs of people on the ground.

"For me it is a show and I dont like it," he said as 21 injured children and adults were loaded into UN vehicles for the journey to Sarajevo's Butmir airport. "Children are not animals in the zoo.'

Dr Peillod was particularly angry at the insistence of Wing Commander Andy Mitchell, a consultant paediatrician in the RAF, on giving priority to evacuating children over adults, even though, he claimed, two of the youngsters were not in need of treatment abroad.

Commander Mitchell, who was sent out to Sarajevo to oversee the evacuation, toured the city's main hospitals on Friday and discovered cases needing urgent attention of which the UN medical authorities were not even aware.

He said that he did not know how the injured people were chosen, "but I have just seen children on the ward who are not on the list who need immediate help".

Commander Mitchell also said: "We've got a list, but it's not a list the people in the UK are expecting. I've just seen a little three-year-old girl, another Irma really. I feel she is a priority case. I think she needs to be evacuated, but I am not sure if I can do anything for her. I want this child back, I want to get her on Sunday's flight."

Mukesh Kapila, an Overseas Development Administration medical expert, denied that the patients destined for Britain were being used for publicity reasons. "I don't think any of the injured here is being treated like cattle. We are satisfied that all the injured and sick needing immediate assistance will be on the flight today."

Perhaps under more normal circumstances, Dr Peillod and Commander Mitchell could have become close colleagues. Both are experienced doctors, highly specialised and dedicated to easing the suffering of casualties from Sarajevo's bloody siege.



Jaganjac: astounded but pleased with results

However, in the Bosnian capital events rarely take a predictable turn, and they were locked in a bitter controversy over the evacuation of the city's sick and wounded.

Dr Peillod went on to accuse Commander Mitchell of "hijacking" the evacuation operation, after the RAF doctor made five changes to the list of patients to include more children, insisting that two of the four additions did not require medical assistance abroad. "I can't order Serbs to kill children," the doctor said.

His outburst is the latest round in a simmering feud that began earlier this month when the British media reported the case of Irma Hadzimuratovic, the injured Muslim girl flown to London after her doctor appealed to the world for help.

The impact of her case and the reaction of the government to allow the first casualties to be airlifted to Britain has led to a rush of offers from other countries, but it put the spotlight on the UN's shortcomings in the Bosnian capital.

In particular, the UN's medical evacuation committee, made up of the four main UN bodies in Sarajevo, which selects patients for treatment abroad, has been criticised for failing to respond to emergency cases such as Irma's. Dr Peillod, a veteran of medical aid programmes, in particular came under attack for being out of the Bosnian capital when the case came up.

Although Commander Mitchell would not be drawn into an open criticism of his French colleague, he did hint that Britain had succeeded in resolving the city's emergency cases where the UN had failed. "We are quite confident that all the priority cases will be evacuated," he said before returning to England.

While the British government's goodwill gesture in airlifting Bosnian war victims may be tarnished by the row, and Dr Peillod's pride may have been dented, the inhabitants of Sarajevo at least will be able to reap the benefits.

The man who caused all the controversy in the first place, Irma's doctor, Edo Jaganjac, said he was astounded by the impact of his appeal but pleased with its results.

"I made my mind up not to give up on Irma, but I never expected this," said the Bosnian Muslim, aged 36, who spends his days waiting in a grubby staff room at Sarajevo's state hospital for the latest injuries to be brought in.

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'For me it is a show, I don't like it. Children are not animals in the zoo'
— Dr Patrick Peillod



'I've just seen a little three-year-old girl. I feel she is a priority case.'
— Wing Commander Andrew Mitchell

Selection procedure angers outsiders

BY MICHAEL EVANS
DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

THE selection process for deciding which patients should be evacuated from Sarajevo to foreign hospitals continued to arouse disagreement and anger yesterday. The safe arrival of 21 more evacuees at Heathrow is not expected to bring the dispute to a close.

At the heart of the row is a basic difference in perception between the agencies working inside Sarajevo and outsiders who want instant action to rescue the wounded children.

The committee that decides on candidates for evacuation consists of four doctors representing the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, the children's agency Unicef, the UN protection force and the World Health Organisation. Sources in Geneva said that the four doctors were rarely in Sarajevo at the same time and met infrequently. However, each was empowered to make a decision on his own, without consultation with the others.

One UN agency source said: "But these doctors spend much of their time concerned about the wider picture, how the population of Sarajevo is going to survive the winter, how they are going to get an operating theatre working properly, whether the fuel for ambulances will arrive, and so on, that selection of patients for evacuation may be less of a priority."

There are also strict criteria for the doctors to follow. "It's not just a question of evacuating someone who is dangerously ill," the source said.

Under the normal chain of events, a local doctor will approach one of the UN agencies to say he has a patient suitable for evacuation. The patient is then examined by the UN doctor.

The committee of four doctors keeps in regular touch with countries known to be prepared to take the wounded. European and Nordic countries are viewed as the most likely. No evacuation can be finalised until a country has offered to provide a flight and medical treatment.

Airborne medics tend to sick children

BY A STAFF REPORTER

■ The best that British medical expertise could offer the Bosnian war casualties began on board their flight to London

THROUGHOUT the flight from Sarajevo six doctors and nurses monitored the conditions of the injured children using equipment set up on the aircraft seats and floor.

At nine months old, Eldar Kalamujic was one of the youngest patients on board, just a small still mound under the blankets of his stretcher. Doctors said that he was suffering from a liver complaint.

His mother Zehra, 25, soothed and distracted him while his four-year-old brother, Kenaa, slept at her side clutching a toy that was still in its plastic wrapper. "This flight means an awful lot to me," she said.

Dr Tony Redmond, who was on the flight, said that doctors in Sarajevo did not have the facilities to diagnose the cause of Eldar's liver problem. He might well have died had he remained there.

The other injured children included an 11-year-old boy with severe abdominal and leg injuries; an eight-year-old boy with a congenital heart problem; a four-month-old baby girl with liver failure; and an eight-year-old boy whose hand had been injured by a mortar shell.

Further along the aircraft, men and children lay on stretchers along both walls, while doctors and nurses sat in the remaining seats with other casualties and relatives.

The refugees appeared happier and more animated as the journey neared its end and they were offered cold meats, rice, salad, peaches and coffee by the Russian stewardesses.

Mark Prescott, accident and emergency consultant at North Staffordshire hospital, said: "While they look superficially well they have the most horrendous injuries."

Dr Michael Ward, consultant anaesthetist at John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford, said that they might need psychological help to adjust. "It must be very strange for them to be one moment in a place where they are being bombarded and they are ill or their relatives are ill, and the next they are being photographed and lauded and feted," he said.

Shortly before 6pm, about two hours after arriving at Heathrow, the plane took off again, carrying three patients and their relatives to Birmingham and five patients to Leeds-Bradford airport.

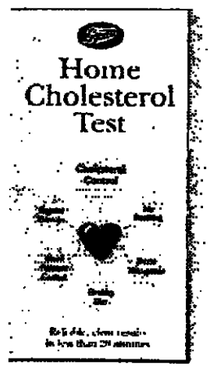


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Snipers fire parting shot at patients

FROM ADAM LEBOR IN ANCONA

EDHEM Dedovic waved happily at the waiting crowd of doctors, soldiers and journalists from the cockpit of the RAF Hercules as the plane approached the runway at Ancona airport.

For 11-year-old Edhem the flight from Sarajevo had been a great adventure, sitting beside the pilot and pretending to fly the plane. But there was a reminder of the hostilities that had put the 21 patients' lives in danger as they boarded early yesterday morning when four shots rung out.

"The shooting was typical of what happens round here," said one crew member. "If they feel they can terrify or impress someone, they will."

The crack of gunfire, the whoosh of rockets and the whistle and bang of exploding mortars are already everyday sounds for Edhem, as they are for everyone trapped in Sarajevo. He lost an eye after a mortar exploded near by when he was playing in the street with friends. The shrapnel that ripped through his face also damaged nerves in his arms.

The first patient off the plane was Belma Salaka. The three-year-old girl is suffering from meningitis and Flt Lt Chris Ford had to slow the plane's ascent, avoiding sudden changes of pressure, because her condition is so delicate.

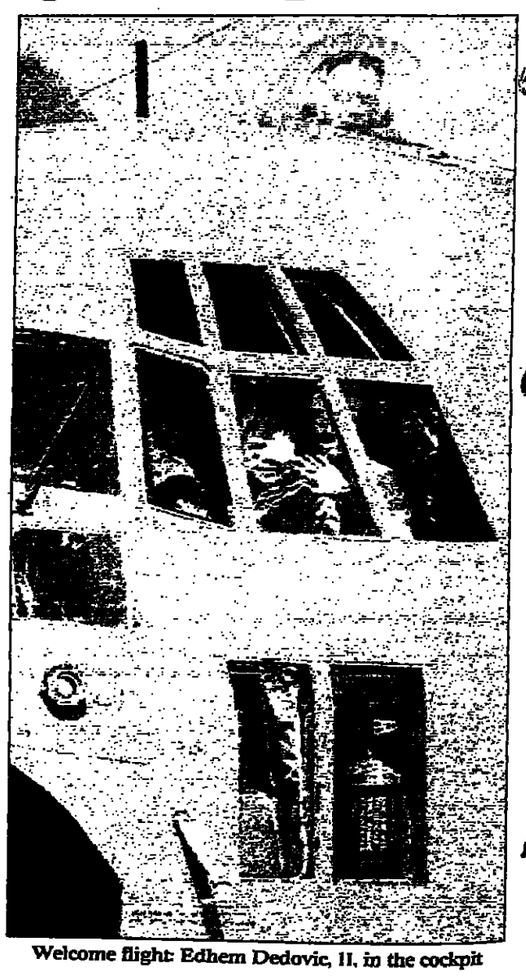
Four soldiers carried her on a stretcher that dwarfed her small body to the hospital set up at the airport. Inside piles of teddy bears and toys awaited the sick and wounded children for them to play with before they were flown to Britain. But Belma, a tube running into her throat, was deep in a drug-induced sleep.

RAF medical staff were optimistic that with the right drugs and equipment she would live. "She does have abnormal neurological signs and there is definite evidence of a problem with her brain," Wg Cdr Andy Mitchell said. "We have given her sedatives to prevent convulsions and I am pretty certain we can maintain her in a stable condition. The important thing is that she gets to the UK as soon as possible."

The Hercules slowly disgorged more of its cargo. Relatives of the patients gingerly stepped onto the tarmac. Some looked happy and relieved, others tense.

Not all of the patients were children. A man in his 20s gave a victory sign for the television cameras as he was stretchered off. A group of young men, their Red Cross tags flapping in the wind, disembarked next. The Ministry of Defence denied that there were wounded Bosnian soldiers on board.

In spite of the criticism, the arguments and the accusations of cynical exploitation, standing on the tarmac at Ancona airport it was hard not to feel that something positive, no matter how little and how late, had been done.



Welcome flight: Edhem Dedovic, 11, in the cockpit

Row with UN casts shadow over airlift

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The prime minister is grateful for all the work being done. He has been pleased we have been able to help."

Both Downing Street and the Foreign Office tried to play down the row over the number of children being brought out, as Dr Peillod accused Britain of a cynical publicity stunt. "It is a show and I don't like it," he said as the patients were loaded into UN vehicles at the Kosevo hospital. "Children are not animals in the zoo."

Dr Peillod went on to accuse Dr Mitchell of hijacking the operation after the RAF doctor made five changes to the original list to include more children. Dr Peillod insisted that two of the four additions did not need medical assistance abroad.

But other UN officials were delighted with the operation and Mukesh Kapila, the Overseas Development Administration's senior medical assessor, said: "I don't think any of these injured people here are or have been treated as cattle." Dr Kapila will visit Sarajevo today to see whether further medical supplies are needed and if more patients need to be thrown out.

The Foreign Office minister Douglas Hogg also rejected allegations that the mission was a publicity stunt, telling BBC Radio 4's *The World This Weekend*: "We saw an urgent and particular need — a backlog of emergency cases. We thought we should act as swiftly as possible to bring them out of Sarajevo."

He insisted that the aim was to concentrate on getting out the cases that were designated as emergency and defended the government's action in questioning the UN's original list of people to be flown out. "We anticipated that among the 41 cases, there were going to be a higher number of children. We were therefore rather surprised that out of the 21 there were only two children," he said.

"That suggested to us, which was immediately reinforced by the RAF doctor, that they may have been some error in designation of cases. Our desire is to take out emergency cases irrespective of age."

But Michael Meacher, the shadow minister for aid and development, claimed last night that Operation Irma had been dreadfully mismanaged, saying: "The government seems to regard it as a tombola where they pick children as prizes."

was no denying its value to the evacuated patients as they arrived in Britain last night

Doctors work through night on airlift patients

By Lin Jenkins

SOME of the most skilled and experienced medical specialists in the world last night began treating the 21 patients evacuated to Britain from Sarajevo.

For most it was the first time their condition could be fully assessed, as doctors in the besieged city have worked without the electricity to operate diagnostic machinery and have little in the way of drugs.

By the time the Tupolev Tu-154 plane left Ancona, Italy, yesterday afternoon, all the patients in the airlift had been allocated places in 13 hospitals which had volunteered their services and made provision to look after the families of the injured. The hospitals had provided details of their specialities so they could be matched to individual needs.

The seven children, among them five not on the list when the British evacuation team arrived in Sarajevo, were divided between six hospitals.

Belma Salaka, who spent the journey sedated and on a ventilator, was assessed by doctors on the flight who decided she should be taken to The Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street.

Belma, who has chronic meningitis, was accompanied on the flight by her mother Ziba, 34, and sister Samira, aged eight. Tony Newton, acting general manager at Great Ormond Street, said it was too soon to say when Belma would be operated on.

Eldar Kalamujic, aged nine months, was taken to King's College Hospital, where doctors hope to diagnose the cause of a liver problem. He was said to be "very poorly".

Denis Bogdanovic, an eight-year-old boy suffering from aortic pulmonary stenosis, narrowing of heart arteries, went to Guy's Hospital, London. Andrew Banfield, hospital manager, said that Denis was accompanied from Bosnia by his mother Suada, 25, and sister Elma, three.



A child's mother is helped from the plane

Denis will be under the care of Dr Shak Qureshi, a consultant in paediatric cardiology. "Depending on his condition Denis will undergo a series of tests. The treatment may or may not involve surgery," said Mr Banfield.

Edhem Dedovic, 11, who needs plastic surgery to his face after injuries sustained in a mortar bomb attack, was taken to the University College London Hospitals.

Adis Avdic, aged five, who is paraplegic as a result of a shell injury, went to John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford. His mother Amela, 30, is staying with him in a room provided by the hospital. Two other children went to Birmingham Children's Hospital.

Three of the adult patients were taken to Moorfields Eye Hospital, London, one of the world's leading centres for eye treatment. Ahdin Dugonjic, 27, Nedim Dilberovic, 23, who has an injury to his left eye, and Zaim Pasic, 34, who has an object embedded in his right eye, all arrived without accompanying family.

Another four suffering serious limb injuries from bullets and shrapnel were taken to St James's University Hospital, Leeds, which specialises in orthopaedics and reconstructive plastic surgery. Rooms were made available in nurse quarters for their families.

Another adult requiring specialist care went to Stoke Mandeville Hospital in Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, which is renowned for its treatment of paraplegics and others with spinal injuries.

Queen Mary's University Hospital, Roehampton, south London, which has a worldwide reputation as a centre of excellence for limb fitting and has a specialist burns unit, is treating a 31-year-old man. Deborah Youngers, nurse manager, said: "We do not know how severe his condition is yet."

Two men, both aged 27, suffering from craniofacial injuries were taken to the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, which specialises in neuro- and plastic surgery.

Branka Franic, a 44-year-old woman with a brain tumour, was last night being assessed at the Midland Centre for Neurosurgery and Neurology, Smethwick. She arrived with her sister and niece. Paul Scriven, hospital manager, said: "Her condition is life-threatening if not properly treated in time."

A 24-year-old man suffering from shrapnel wounds was taken to the Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield, which has one of the leading urology units. Another adult needing orthopaedic treatment went to the University College London Hospitals.



Farewell flight: a mother handing her son to a United Nations official at Kosevo hospital in Sarajevo

Destruction that forced loved ones to say goodbye

MY FRIEND Kova was shot in the back last September. The bullet entered less than an inch from her spine, passed through her stomach and broke her right leg in several places. Yesterday, she was evacuated for the treatment for which she has been waiting.

When the war began in spring last year, Kova, a 38-year-old Serb, was living on her own. Her husband is a chef in Berlin and the siege stopped their regular visits. Rather than living by herself in a city constantly shelled and without water, electricity, and telephones, Kova moved in with Bojan and his friend Dada, who were married in January, and Sema, another friend who had been living alone. Bojan's sister and brother-in-law lived in the flat above them. Bojan's mother and father lived in the flat above his sister. The eight formed a wartime co-operative, collecting water, searching for food, cooking, and so on.

EYEWITNESS SARAJEVO



By Joel Brand

In December and January I joined Bojan and Dada's household for two weeks while writing about surviving a Sarajevo winter and their wartime marriage.

A postal clerk before the war, Kova was hit by a sniper's bullet on September 13, 1992. The doctors at the Sarajevo hospital where she was treated focused on her bullet wound, putting steel pins, held together by external rod, in her right leg.

The leg needed more treatment, but it was a low priority in a city where hundreds can be wounded in a single day. She returned to Bojan and Dada's apartment, and has been virtually bed-ridden for ten months. The rest of the family all helped take care of their wounded friend.

Bojan and Mladin, his brother-in-law, soon tried to get Kova evacuated but it took months for them to find the right office to contact.

I didn't know Kova was going. It had been a busy few weeks and I had not visited her for some time. I was covering the evacuation of the 40 wounded to hospitals in Britain and Sweden when Kova and her friends came into the waiting room. They were crying. "I'm leaving all my friends here. I'm torn between happiness and sorrow," Kova said. "The hardest part is to leave the home I have had this past year. When you leave Sarajevo, you never know if or when you will see your friends again." The others said their goodbyes to Kova and put her on a stretcher. Bojan, Dada, and the rest of the family waited outside the hospital door. "I'm glad that she's leaving Sarajevo and the terrible things that have happened here", 29-year-old Dada said. "But when will I see her again?"

As Kova was carried out, her adopted family clapped while they cried. Dada ran through the crowd of relatives and friends of the other evacuees, happy and sad to be there. Trembling with tears, she watched the French soldiers with their blue helmets gingerly load Kova into the back of an armoured personnel carrier.

"Just one doctor made all this," she sobbed. "One crazy doctor is responsible for this mess." She pointed in the direction of the psychiatry clinic where the Serb leader, Radovan Karadzic worked for many years. "Dr Karadzic, look at all these people." Scores of people were crying or near to tears as their loved ones were carried by soldiers into armoured ambulances.

Public and media led government into action

By Lin Jenkins

THE airlift of 21 children and adults from Sarajevo was prompted by the British public's response to media reports about Irma Hadzimuratovic fighting for her life in a hospital where there were no means to treat her properly.

Downing Street was inundated with calls after Irma's plight was highlighted and, within hours, John Major had taken the decision to bring her to Britain.

The operation to bring others to Britain for treatment, which bears her name, was set up to help those in a similar situation.

Irma sustained terrible injuries when a Serb shell killed her mother, who had thrown her own body over her eldest daughter in a desperate attempt to protect her. Last night she was still critical but stable in Great Ormond Street hospital, London.

She arrived in London last Monday hanging on to life by a thread after Dr Edo Jaganjac had spent six days trying to persuade the UN to move her. He could do nothing for her in the absence of basic medical supplies, electricity and running water.

The Lear jet air ambulance which brought her to Britain was ordered by doctors to fly at 15,000ft lower than usual because of her spinal, abdominal and head injuries. On arrival she had a brain scan and was treated with antibiotics for bacterial meningitis.

A team of paediatric surgeons was waiting for her at the hospital, and the five-year-old underwent three hours of emergency surgery to pick shrapnel from her back. X-rays had disclosed the extent of her injuries and a tube was inserted into her head to drain cerebro-spinal fluid.

Her father Ramiz and sister Medina, 3, spend much of their time at the hospital and are being cared for by the Bosnian community in London. Donations have been received to help pay for her medical treatment.



War wounded on the UN's list

THESE are the 21 Bosnian patients selected by the UN refugee agency to be flown to Britain.

Zaim Pasic, 34, male, foreign body in right eye.

Namko Mulamehic, 33, male, leg fractures.

Nermin Mulalic, 31, male, defect of jaw and upper lip.

Denis Bogdanic, boy, 8 congenital heart malformation.

Zaim Muftic, 28, male, injuries of both lower legs.

Senad Mirvic, 27, male, destruction of left side of face.

Slavko Martinovic, 40, male, nerve damage.

Midhat Huskovic, 23, male, rupture of urethra.

Sabahudin Hastor, 23, male, left leg amputated, right lower leg injured.

Nazmija Grobovic, 36, male, fractures of both arms, lesions.

Branka Franic, 44, female, craniopharyngeoma.

Nedim Dilberovic, 23, male, left eye injury.

Dvezad Dedovic, 29, male, right lower arm amputated and injuries to both eyes.

Nesad Causevic, 32, male, paraplegia after shell injury.

Edhem Dedovic, boy, 11, shell injury to face and left eye.

Ahdin Dugonjic, 27, male, eye injury.

Belma Salaka, girl, 3, chronic meningitis.

Admir Bazdarevic, boy, 9, amputated finger, fracture of radius.

Adis Avdic, boy, 5, paraplegia after shell injury.

Alen Aganovic, boy, 11, broken leg and other fractures, abdominal wounds.

Eldar Kalamujic, nine-month-old boy.

David Shepherd believes in saving elephants, tigers, gorillas, steam locomotives, and time.

David Shepherd is in a hurry. He has interviews and lectures to give, films to produce, and books to write.

Not to mention a three-year backlog of wildlife paintings to finish.

"I run almost everywhere I go because I am so anxious to get on with the joy of what I am doing next."

What makes David Shepherd run?

Some thirty years ago, he was making a name for himself as a painter. Among the commissions he received was one from the Royal Air Force in Kenya. "When I arrived they said to me: 'We don't want paintings of aircraft; we fly them all day long. Do you do local things like elephants?'"

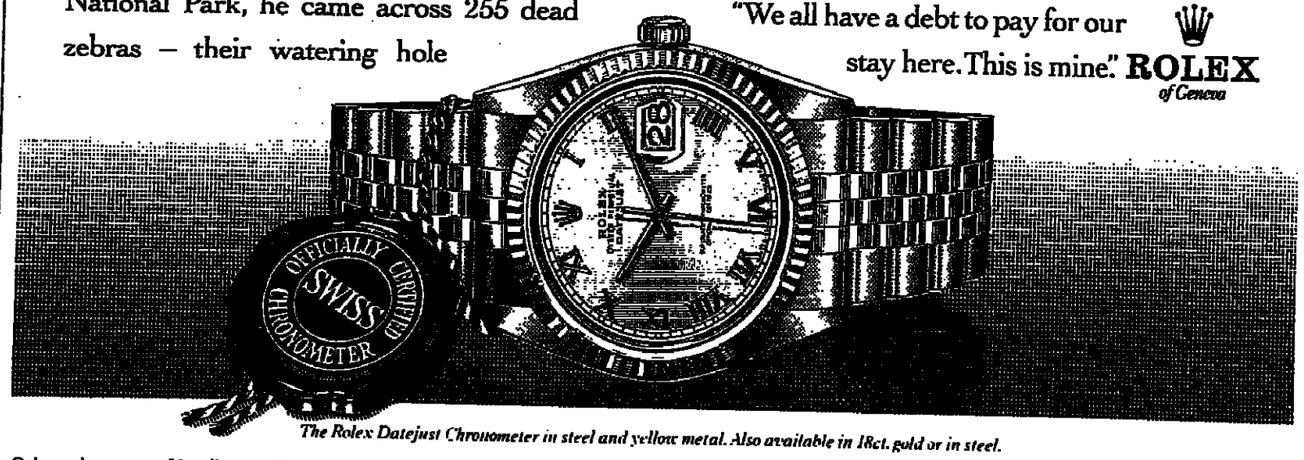
Thus began his phenomenally successful career as a wildlife artist. Then, in the Serengeti National Park, he came across 255 dead zebras – their watering hole poisoned by poachers. "From that moment, I became a conservationist. Who wouldn't?"

Shepherd is a man of many enthusiasms; his passion for conserving wildlife matched by his passion for preserving steam locomotives. The proceeds from all his activities are channelled into The David Shepherd Conservation Foundation and The East Somerset Railway.

In 1979, the World Wildlife Fund presented him with a specially-engraved Rolex Oyster. "It's been through African rivers and swamps, you name it. I take it for granted, totally."

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Bottomley attacked over private 'jails' for child offenders

BY JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

VIRGINIA Bottomley, the health secretary, was heavily criticised by voluntary organisations and opposition parties yesterday over her plan to ask the private sector to run secure homes for disturbed and dangerous children.

The proposal, to be detailed in a consultation document published today, will allow companies and voluntary organisations to build and run "secure units", which until now have been provided by local authorities.

Labour accused Mrs Bottomley of setting up "colleges of crime", and charities said that they would not take on the work.

The 1,300 children detained in each year in secure accommodation include those who have committed crimes such as arson, murder or rape but are too young to go to jail, and those thought likely to injure themselves or others.

Mrs Bottomley said on BBC Radio 4's *The World This Weekend* that local authorities should be subject to the same market pressures as health services. There should be no "ideological rejection" of a contribution from the independent sector in the search for value for money.

The move to allow companies to compete alongside the public sector follows big increases in the costs of secure accommodation. There are now about 40 homes providing 370 places between them.

It is estimated that each secure unit costs up to £250,000 per place to build and £1,600 a week per child to run. Mrs Bottomley said that in one authority there had been an 85 per cent increase in charges in two years.

Local councils receive a grant to build secure units, which they then manage. Health sources said firms might be given a similar grant to ensure that they were competing on equal terms.

David Blunkett, shadow health secretary, said the government had learnt nothing from its "fiasco" with the security firm Group 4. "A privatised service can only be profitable if it relies on larger units that would end up as colleges of crime," Mr Blunkett said. These homes would include petty criminals who would pass on their expertise to others.

Mike Jarman, chief executive of child care at Barnardo's, said his organisation would not provide secure accommodation, which he suspected would be a common stand among the main children's charities.

"It is not the job of a children's charity to provide secure accommodation for children," he said. "That is a public policy task, a task for government."

Liz Lynne, Liberal Democrat spokesman on community care, said: "This is just another crazy scheme that could end up in catastrophe."

Edinburgh changes its looks

BY ALISON ROBERTS
ARTS REPORTER

THE curtain officially rose on the Edinburgh Festival yesterday, but what was revealed to this year's scores of visitors is an altogether changed event.

While the main international programme puts the emphasis on vogue classical performers and directors, the Fringe has taken on a more professional look. Traditional chaos is kept backstage, with a glossy brochure and smooth box office at the front.

As expected in a city which chatters around the clock at festival time, neither new image has escaped criticism. William Berdett-Coutts, artistic director of the Assembly Theatre, the largest Fringe venue, has hit out at the main festival, calling for less elitism and higher standards.

Meanwhile, the three biggest Fringe venues have joined forces to promote themselves, leaving lesser pubs and halls alarmed at the prospect of an even more marginal time.

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TOM KIDD



Step to it: giant puppets from Trinidad at the National Museum of Scotland

Helicopter is lifted out of lake

THE RAF helicoper that crashed into a lake in Snowdonia, killing three teenage air cadets, was brought to the lakeside by a salvage team yesterday. The main fuselage had been floated to the surface using air bags after lying in about 26 metres of water at Llyn Padarn, near Llanberis, Gwynedd.

Heavy lifting gear was then used to drag the stricken Wessex helicopter to the lakeside. The wreckage still has to be lifted onto a low-loader to be taken away for further investigation. Engineers were deciding whether the main rotor blades would have to be cut off to make lifting easier.

Yesterday engineers cut off the helicopter's rear cone, including the tail rotor, which will figure prominently in the investigation into the accident. The operation to raise the helicopter, from RAF Valley on Anglesey, took two and a half days.

Four cadets and three crew members were aboard the aircraft when it crashed during a training flight on Thursday. The four survivors are in hospital being treated for back and head injuries.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Benefit cuts 'will lead to more crime'

Peter Lilley, the social security secretary, will be told today that benefit cuts could lead to more crime among the unemployed (Richard Duce writes). Evidence from the National Association of Probation Officers is to be given to Mr Lilley claiming that many people living in near-poverty are turning to shoplifting and petty crime to make ends meet.

Mr Lilley is under pressure to curb social security spending with a review of universal benefits. In making the link between limited income and crime the association tells Mr Lilley that a study in May of 1,331 people known to the probation service for stealing and burglary showed that two thirds were long-term unemployed.

Video clue to bombings

Detectives investigating the Bournemouth bombings are studying more than 60 video films taken by council and commercial cameras last Thursday, when an IRA unit laid eight devices in shops and on the pier. Over the weekend, the organisation admitted the attacks, and said that holiday resorts would remain a "priority target". Det Supt Roy Thornley said that detailed viewing of the films would be a painstaking task and police would not be able to reveal the results "in the foreseeable future".

Motorcycle death

A motorcyclist was killed when he fell into the path of his best friend who was riding behind him. Police said there was no way that John Dunster could avoid driving over David Hallam, 32, of Hayling Island, Hampshire, who never regained consciousness. Mr Dunster, 27, also of Hayling Island, was seriously injured.

Maintenance fight

A man is bringing a test case to alter his divorce settlement after being ordered to pay maintenance for his son by the Child Support Agency. Gary Crozier, of Carlisle, signed over the family home to his wife when they divorced in 1986. The agency has said he must pay £37 a week. He has remarried and has two young children.

Pilot dies in crash

A pilot died yesterday when his light aircraft crashed on open ground at Pewley Down, near Guildford, Surrey. Witnesses said that they saw flames coming from the plane and heard the engine cut out. The pilot, who has not been named, was flying from Stapleford, Essex, to Southampton where he was due to pick up passengers.

Parachutist killed

A man fell to his death after his parachute became entangled during a display near Ledbury, Hereford and Worcester. He was named as Christopher William Claridge, 47, of Bristol. At a display in France, Andy Peckett, 30, of Purton, Wiltshire, saved an unconscious sky-diving colleague by pulling the man's ripcord.

Roman hoard found

Roman jewellery and nearly 7,000 silver and bronze coins worth an estimated £100,000 have been found by four archaeologists during a secret dig near Devizes, Wiltshire. The hoard, believed to have been owned by a Roman officer who hid it when he came under attack, is expected to be declared treasure trove.

Sutch raves on after 30 years of lunacy

BY JILL SHERMAN

BRITAIN'S longest-serving party leader yesterday celebrated his thirtieth year of injecting lunacy into national politics.

Screaming Lord Sutch, 52, the rock 'n' roll politician and leader of the Official Monster Raving Loony party, has seen off four leaders of each of the two main parties and several of his supposedly crazy ideas, such as giving the vote to 18-year-olds, have been adopted.

Despite attempts to rid politics of its most colourful characters by raising the candidate's deposit from £150 to £500, Lord Sutch, who contested and lost his thirty-seventh seat at Christchurch, is determined to hang on. Interviewed on BBC Radio 4's *The World this Weekend* he said yesterday said that many of his policies, such as abolishing the 11-plus and relaxing pub opening hours, had been laughed at when he put them forward.



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It's baffling how any 60 seconds of celluloid can cost such vast sums when the BBC can make a whole hour of TV drama for a relatively meagre £400,000.

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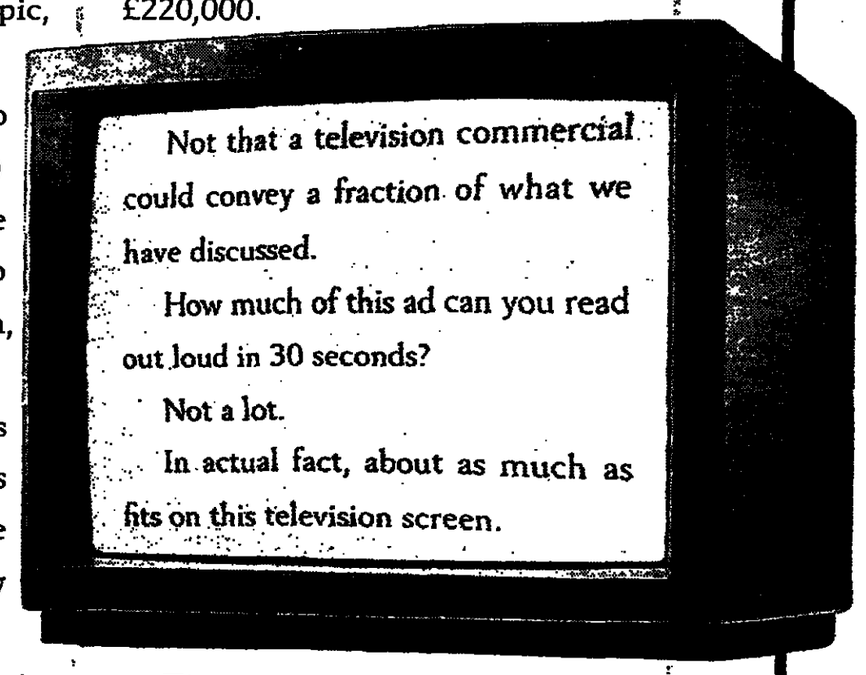
(Think of the RSPCA's pile of dead dogs.)

There are also many things a press advertisement can do which a TV commercial can't. It can present a viewpoint in depth, as we have done here. These words won't dissolve and vanish after 30 seconds.

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Labour lacks the vision Britain needs

The Times Essay

*The left has failed to come to any real reckoning with the historic collapse of socialist ideas and remains sunk in confusion, **David Selbourne** writes*



The present government — with its weak leader, absence of convincing policy or strategy for the economy, for Europe, for Britain's manufacturing future, for education, for transport and with no foreign policy worthy of the name — could ordinarily expect, and would ordinarily deserve, to be run out of office. Yet, while the Liberal Democrats reach a historic turning-point in their fortunes, the Conservatives' strongest card remains the Labour party.

For all its opinion poll lead, Labour is a party and "movement" without coherent political claim on Britain's future. It justly lacks confidence and sense of ideological direction; its interests and its values are in disarray. It has always stood for both the best and worst in British public life: a spirit of mutuality and social concern on one hand, class animus, trade union reaction and false egalitarianism on the other. But, on balance, it is not a progressive force.

Its lost bearings now are part of the left's wider crisis. Nearly four years after communism's revolutionary fall — a fall which carried much of socialism's ethos down with it — the left in general is still sunk in confusion. It is a confusion by which the Labour party, for all its seeming indifference to socialist ideas, is necessarily affected: just as have been its sister socialist parties, defeated, in retreat, split, dissolved, re-named (or wreathed in pink roses) and seeking a moral purpose and political programme from one end of the globe to the other.

Moreover, the failure of socialists to come to any real reckoning with the historic collapse of their ideas, whether in communist, old socialist, labourist or social democratic form, is a ground for refusing political and intellectual respect to their pretensions. Part of the left, dumbly continuing to insist on its flat-earth dogmas and lost causes, chooses to believe that the fall of communism was the fall of Stalinism, not of old socialism as such. Part, the Labour party for example, is timidly in the market for "new ideas", any ideas to which it might be able to give a suitably left gloss. Part has turned complete turtle, and has sought to adopt the politics and values of its erstwhile opponents.

In France, where the Socialist party lost 200 seats in the March election, even the Communist leader, Georges Marchais, has decided that Stalin has had his day; in Germany, a deputy chairman of the Party of Democratic Socialism has resigned after "holding political talks" with the neo-Nazis; in Vietnam, Monopoly boards are being imported to teach cadres market economics. We are four years on from the greatest political and moral revolution since 1789. Yet, only a few months ago, Edward Said, a left literary critic, published a work of imposing intellectual pretence, *Culture and Imperialism*, portraying Jane Austen as a "cultural" victim of a colonial age but making no mention of the left's own Thermidor, the fall of the Soviet empire and the demise of socialist "culture". The modishly-left Jacques Attali could attend to his Carrera marble while the begging bowls of the east European economies, victims of the worst that state socialism could do to productive enterprise, went unfilled.

At the heart of such cynicism are simple but terrible things: an ethical refusal by the left to recognise how much it has to answer for in respect of its exploded nostrums, and an intellectual incapacity to measure up to the failure of the "socialist project". Some on the left, torn from the pap of Marxism, are looking for a new "grand theory", or intellectual teat, on which to suck; others, lacking knowledge both of the history of socialism and the significance of recent events, have adopted the smelly little orthodoxies of "political correctness", elevating their self-love into old forms of hostility to the dissenter. As for Labour, lacking all conviction, it continues to wrestle with the trade unions as if time itself had stopped.

Against the policy of "one member one vote", the unions struggle to prevent individual member choice and retain the principle of corporate — and, often, corrupt and intimidating — representation *en bloc*; while offering the old class abuse to "modernisers" in the Labour party, denouncing them as "careerists" and "elitists". Whatever the outcome of the party's autumn conference, and however large (or modestly reduced) the unions' continuing power and influence over the party, it will be the undemocratic, plebeian and rough-house aspect of Labour politics which will be clearest to the voter.

This same corporate trade union culture of brute vested interest has helped to bring the education system to its knees. In a nation with six million "functionally illiterate" citizens and half its young adults with serious numeracy problems, the teaching unions' "successful struggle", by boycott, special pleading and reactionary obscurantism, has brought last-ditch efforts at reform to utter confusion.

Saddled with wrong pedagogical principles, wrong types of school and half-educated teachers, we are being taught — with Labour's approval — that a reduced national curriculum will assist children's education, and that less testing means better monitoring of children's educational progress. All that remains is for the teaching unions to convince the government's supine and cowed advisers that the less we know the better educated we are, and the unions' pedagogical purposes will have been achieved.

Both the block vote and the plebeian attrition of the education system bring Labour's future prospects into doubt. In private, Labour leaders despair; in public, they must laud the "proud links" between Labour and the trade unions, and dimly sustain their constituency in the teaching profession. Here, Labour's dilemma is sharply focused: it bids to lead the nation, but its principles are uncertain, its reflexes reactionary, and its policies unformed or known from experience to be harmful.

This uncertainty is merely part of the general confusion of the left, robbed of its socialist ends, stuck with the "capitalist system" and chasing its ideological tail. In economic policy, it thus toys with market economics and values, ambivalent about Keynesianism, uncertain in tax policy, nostalgic for grand schemes of public ownership, welfare-for-all, and income redistribution, but warned off them by socialist failure unable to go backwards or forwards, yet in search of the magic formulae by which to convince a nation that, in its hands, Britain's economy will rise like a phoenix from the Tory ashes.

In social policy the ambivalence of Labour, and of the left in general, is equally acute. Being natural authoritarians, socialists are always at sea with "liberty" or "choice"; and, being natural transferrers of blame on to the shoulders of others, are ill-at-ease with concepts of personal responsibility and duty. Yet, in today's post-socialist world, Labour — searching for a new ethic — must now be, or pretend to be, the party of "individual responsibility", "personal autonomy", "financial independence" and "choice", yet also firm for "social justice", "equality" and "full-employment"; leery about the police and 'law and order', but "tough on crime". Similarly, Labour now toys with targeted welfare benefits, while proclaiming undying support for the egalitarianism of the welfare state; proclaims itself for "family values", while decrying a "particular, idealised structure of the family". And so on, ambiguity upon ambiguity without end.

When a civic order is in crisis, a civic philosophy is needed. Labour, hobbled by the left's perplexity as to what its social and economic principles are, cannot produce a coherent civic vision; it faces a discredited government with its own uncertainty of purpose, and offers a country in need of inspiration (and education) the millstone of its own confusions.

David Selbourne's The Spirit of the Age *was published earlier this year. His new book,* Not an Englishman: Conversations with Lord Goodman, *is published by Sinclair-Stevenson.*



Smith: continues to wrestle with the trade unions for 'one member one vote' system in the party



By Raymond Keene
Chess Correspondent

Chess in a prison camp

RALPH Stephenson, a *Times* reader from London, has sent the following report of a game played in 1942 in a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp in Hong Kong. He writes: "This was an officers' camp: the Japanese left us alone and we were not made to do work. Prisoners carved chess sets and played a lot.

"Lebedeff, a white-Russian doctor picked up in Shanghai, was a good player by our standards. For fun he once played 20 people simultaneously — result, from memory: nine wins, six draws, five losses. In this game I made a number of poor moves and he lost only because of an aberration on move 49."

White: Stephenson
Black: Lebedeff
Argyll POW Camp 1943

Two Knights Defence

1	e4	e5
2	Nf3	Nc6
3	Bc4	d6
4	Nc3	Nf6
5	Ng5	d5
6	exd5	Nxd5
7	Qf3	Qxg5
8	Nxd5	Qd8
9	d3	h6
10	Nb4	Bxb4+
11	c3	Bxc3+
12	bxc3	0-0
13	Ba3	Ne7
14	0-0	Rb8
15	Rfe1	b5
16	Bb3	Bb7
17	Qg3	Nf5
18	Qxe5	Nd6
19	c4	b4
20	Bb2	f6
21	c5+	Nf7
22	Qg3	Kh8
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26	Bf5	Be6
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35	Bb2	Re7
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37	axb4	cxb4
38	Re3	Rfe8
39	Rae1	Nd8
40	f4	Rxe6
41	Rxe6	Rxe6
42	Ra1	Nc6
43	g4	Re4
44	Rf1	a4
45	g5	hxg5
46	fxg5	bxg5
47	f6	Rf4
48	f6	Rxf1+
49	Kxf1	a3
50	f7	Black resigns

Note that White could have won with 27 Rxe6 Nxe6 28 Qh7 mate; and towards the end, Black should win with 49 ... gxf6.

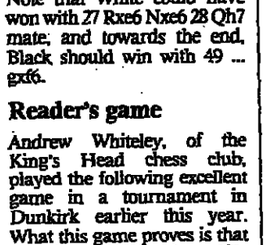
Reader's game

Andrew Whiteley, of the King's Head chess club, played the following excellent game in a tournament in Dunkirk earlier this year. What this game proves is that crushing effects can be swiftly developed even in the relatively slow and strategically based flank openings.

White: Whiteley
Black: Gerard
Cappelle-la-Grande, Dunkirk 1993

King's Indian Defence

1	d4	Nf6
2	c4	g6
3	Nf3	Bg7
4	g3	c6
5	Bg2	d5
6	Nbd2	0-0
7	0-0	Ne4
8	b3	Nxd2
9	Qxd2	Qd6
10	a4	Bf5
11	Ba3	Qd8
12	Qb4	b6
13	cxd5	cxd5
14	Rac1	Re8
15	Ne5	e6
16	Qd6	Qf6
17	Qc7	Qd8
18	Qxd7+	Kh8
19	Rc7	Rg8
20	Qxd5	Black resigns



A neat finish. If Black captures the queen 21 Nf7 is a beautiful smothered checkmate, with the white knight suffocating the black king.

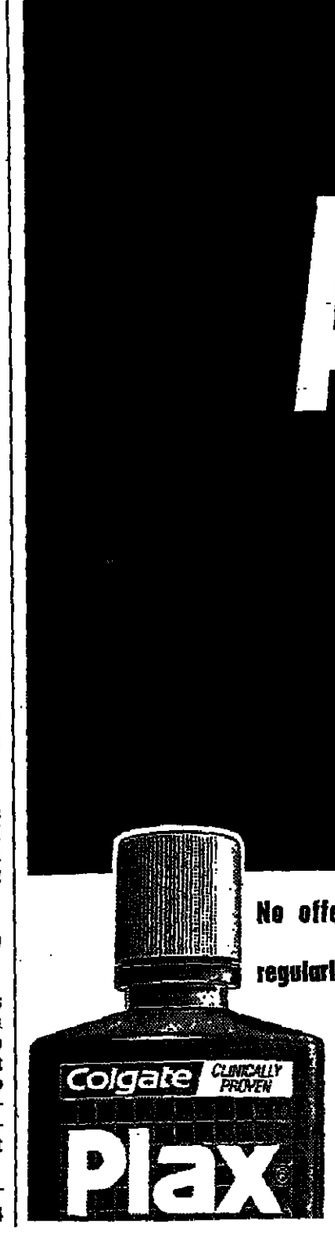
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The first of a four-part series looks at how food surpluses are changing the face of the countryside

Agricultural revolution turns the land green

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY
COUNTRYSIDE CORRESPONDENT

FARMING AND THE COUNTRYSIDE

BY THE end of the century up to 20 per cent of British farmland may no longer be needed for food production. The subsidy-driven revolution in agricultural technology means that ten million acres is likely to be surplus to requirements, and a small but growing number of farmers are being paid to be conservers and restorers of the landscape rather than growers of crops and producers of meat.

Bryn Green, professor of countryside management at Wye College, part of the University of London, said food oversupply offered an opportunity to repair past damage, and to shape a rural environment that is more than an accidental by-product of agriculture. "We cannot sterilise the landscape against change, but we now have a chance to preserve what is best in it," he said.

Stuart McFadzean, conservation officer for the National Rivers Authority in Somerset, said: "What we are saying to farmers, in effect, is that they should see the production of wildlife and the creation of habitat as new kinds of crops and that society is more likely to be willing to pay for these than for food it does not need."

Such a notion goes against a farming culture formed in the second world war when millions of acres were ploughed up to grow crops. Farming, though providing only 2 per cent of jobs, still uses 76 per cent of the land area.

Britain is now nearly 80 per cent self-sufficient in temperate foodstuffs, compared with 30 per cent before the second world war. But this has been achieved at great environmental, as well as financial, cost. Farmers pulled up hedgerows to enlarge fields, ploughed up chalk downs and drained marshes and water meadows, taking a terrible toll on wildlife.

Now the government is trying to stop the countryside destruction it previously urged forward in the name of "agricultural improvement". But this task is being complicated by European Community policy that seeks to reconcile widely differing rural and agricultural interests.

The EC's main response so far to food super-abundance has been the "set-aside" policy. This year nearly 50,000 farmers in Britain alone are expected to receive subsidies worth £800 million in return for not growing crops on 1.5 million acres. Yet set-aside may bring little benefit to the countryside.

The more promising area of the government's own strategy is the spreading patchwork of "environmentally sensitive areas", conservation zones in landscapes of particular natural beauty where farmers are paid to act as countryside managers.

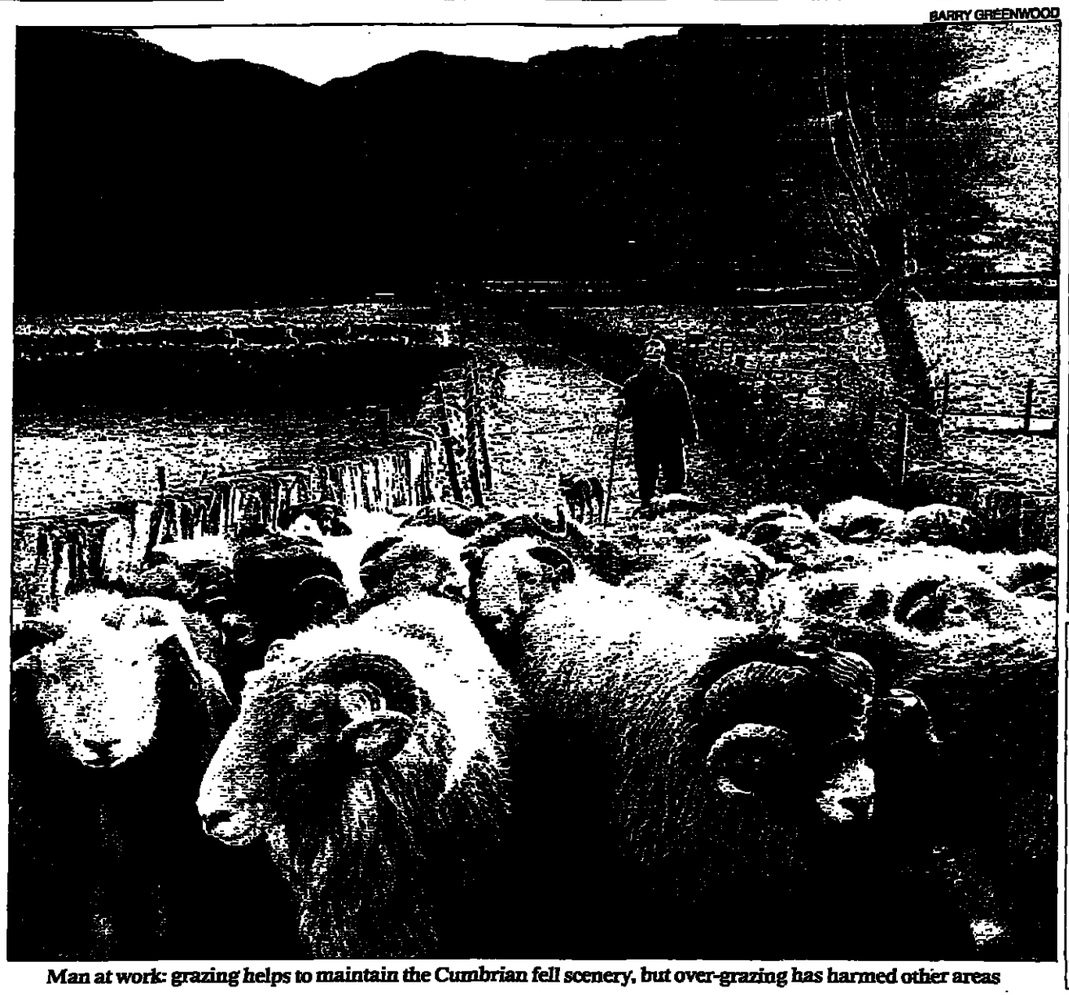
Environment groups argue for a more integrated approach under which all farmers would be encouraged to grow less per acre, so spreading production over a wider area. Support for this view comes from Frank Raymond, who was chief scientist at the agriculture ministry in 1981-2 and now advises on farming less intensively, using chemicals more sparingly.

He said: "There is evidence that you can stay profitable with lower yields per acre if you can offer food that has been produced in ways that are kinder to animals and the environment, but there is still a lack of good research to help farmers. Most farmers still feel they have to go flat out."

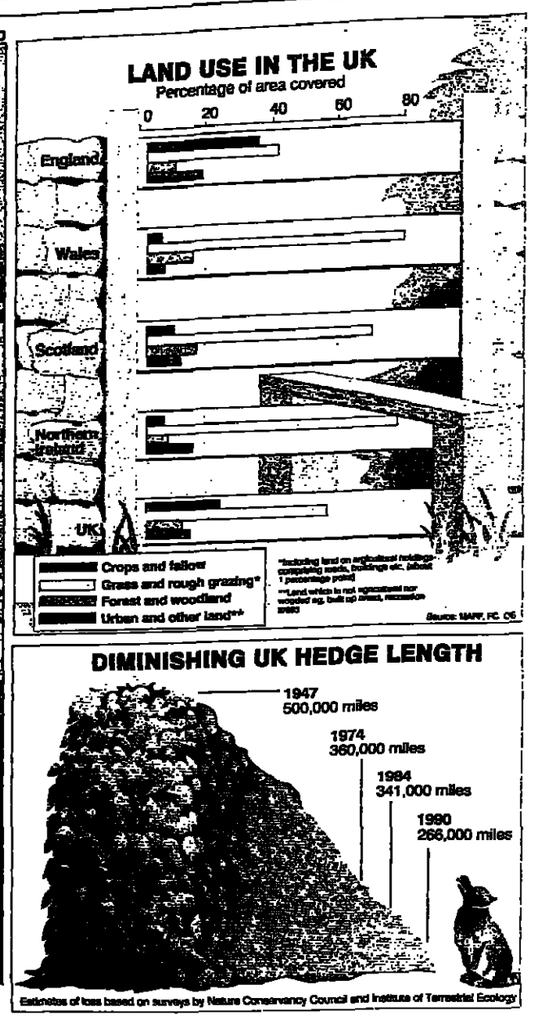
In the hills, farming has been supported by subsidies for decades. This year 66,000 upland farmers will receive £130 million in "hill livestock compensatory allowances". There is an environmental case for keeping many hill farmers because sheep-grazing is essential for maintaining certain landscapes, such as the Cumbrian fells. But other areas could be allowed to return to wilderness or be planted with mixed woodland.

☐ *Tomorrow: vanishing hedgerows — the countryside's loss is the farmer's gain*

BARRY GREENWOOD



Man at work: grazing helps to maintain the Cumbrian fell scenery, but over-grazing has harmed other areas



Grants repair ravages of the past

BY OUR COUNTRYSIDE CORRESPONDENT

MORE than 17,000 farmers will receive £41 million this year to manage the countryside, protect wildlife and produce less food in some 30 areas of natural beauty dotted around Britain, from the Hebrides to the tip of Cornwall.

These environmentally sensitive areas (ESAs) are central to government efforts to make British agriculture "greener" and to repair the ravages of past decades. When the scheme was launched in 1987 there were five; by the end of next year there will be 43. They will cover about eight million acres, nearly 18 per cent of all agricultural land.

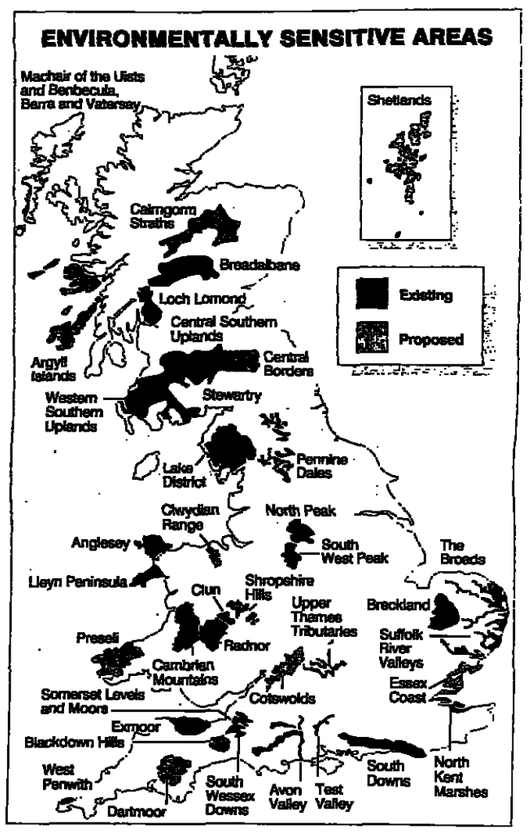
The area protected is less than these statistics suggest. The scheme is voluntary; farmers can choose to forgo the grants and continue to farm flat out. Conservation agreements currently cover 1.1 million acres within the ESAs, about 2.5 per cent of land farmed in the country.

Grants, which can be as high as £140 an acre, vary according to the work done, ranging from the replanting and control of seasonal grazing of heather moorland in the North Peak to the restoration of arable fields to wetland and downland in the Broads and the South Downs. Maintenance of hedges and dry-stone walls is a general requirement.

Surveys suggest that ESAs are benefiting the environment. But is the taxpayer getting value for money when much of ESA land is not open to public access?

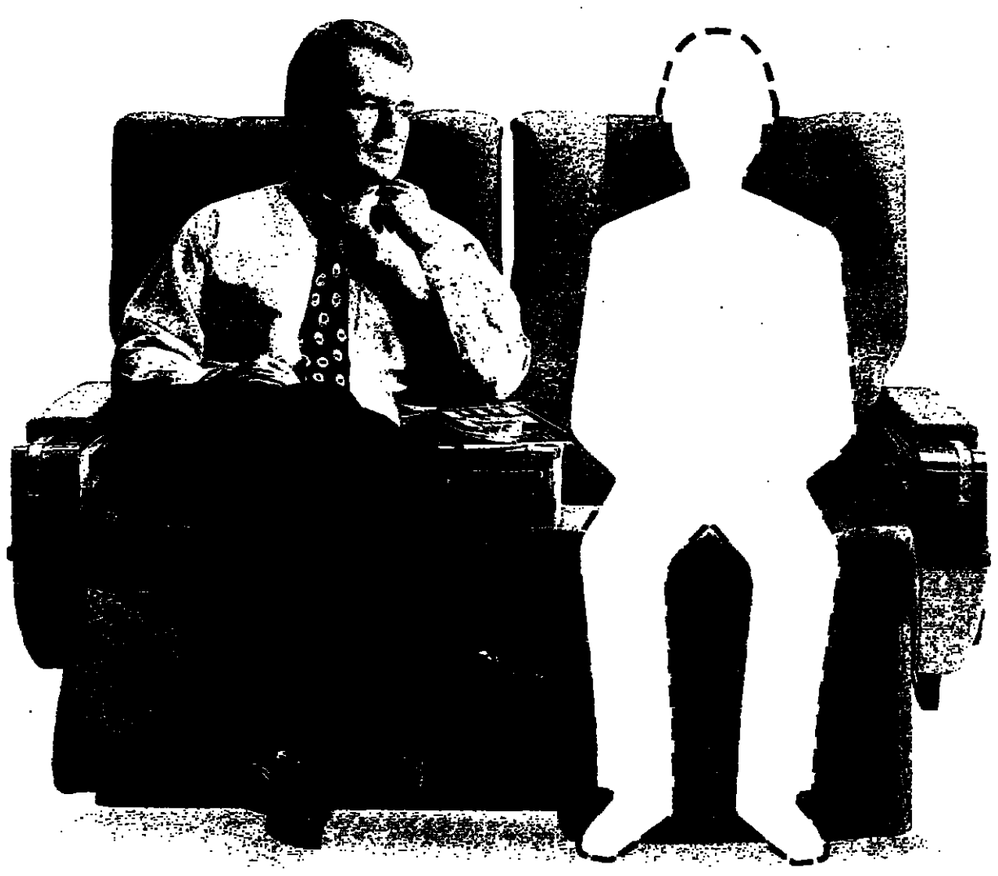
Belatedly, the government is addressing this issue. Last week Gillian Shephard, the agriculture minister, proposed grants of £274 per mile for ESA farmers who allow the public to use 11-yard wide strips running across or along the sides of their fields, particularly where these would lead to a vantage point or provide a link with other public paths.

Public access is a condition of many of the grants available under the Countryside Stewardship scheme, launched in England two years ago. The scheme, though small-scale, enables money to be targeted more precisely than in ESAs. Farmers can apply for grants of up to £120 an acre a year to conserve or restore landscape particularly badly hit by intensive agriculture: chalk grassland; lowland heath; coastal vegetation; wetlands such as marshes and river meadows; and heather moorland.



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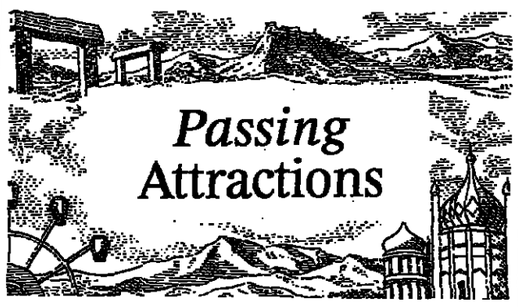
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The Highlands

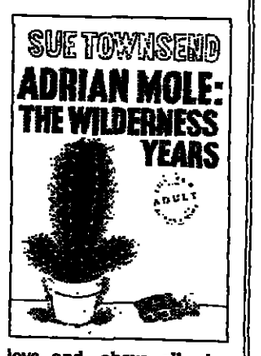
Famous for: rain, midges, Scotch mist, bed and breakfasts which charge extra for electricity, wee drams, but and bens, capercaillies, Free Presbyterianism, Loch Ness monster, ancient family feuds, treachery and lost causes.
Famous residents: few and far between since the Highland clearances which replaced people with sheep.
Appearance: bleak, majestic. If the Highlands were a person they would be Queen Victoria, who put them on the map as a holiday destination, a tradition upheld by her descendants.
What Queen Victoria said of the Highlands: "There is a great peculiarity about the the Highlands and Highlanders; and they are such a chivalrous, fine, active people."
What the Highlands said about Queen Victoria: "After Royalty came, Deeside was ruined. The queen came by, she looked so sour you could have hung a jug on her mouth" — Christian Watt.
What others said about the Highlands: "Oban ... is the Ramsgate of the Highlands ... On every lamp post is a notice, 'Please do not spit on the pavement'" — Virginia Woolf.

"It is rather nice, but damp-ish and northern and one shrinks a trifle inside one's skin. For these countries one should be an amphibian" — D.H. Lawrence.
Most famous visitors: Lord Byron, Dr Samuel Johnson, Oscar Wilde, St Columba, Robert Burns, John Updike, Henry James, any royal except the Princess of Wales or Duchess of York.
Where to go: Achmelvich for pure white sandy beaches, the Black Water for the fishing, Inverewe for the gardens, Achiltibuie for the hydroponicum.
Who to meet: Lord Campbell of Croy for information on beating midges.
What to wear in summer: wellingtons, waterproof trousers, Barbour, woollen hat, two cashmere sweaters, long-sleeved vest, thick socks.
What to wear to dinner: two cashmere sweaters, long-sleeved vest, thick socks. (Scottish country houses tend to be draughty, a feature never noticed by their inhabitants, who tend to be hardy and concerned with the escalating price of fuel.)
What to eat and drink: Scotch broth, haggis and neeps, drappit eggs, stovies, porridge, cloutie dumpling, pitcaithly bannock, toddies.
Highlights: The scenery.
Lowlights: The fact that you only get to see it properly on the two sunny days of the year.
What not to say: "Who won the battle of Bannockburn?"

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Serb retreat paves way for partition deal at Geneva talks

FROM TIM JUDAH
ON MOUNT IGMAN

■ With Nato fighters wheeling overhead, the Serbs finally left the mountains overlooking Sarajevo. After a two-week break, the peace talks can now resume

THE Bosnian partition talks are expected to resume in Geneva today after Bosnian Serb forces effectively fulfilled an agreement to pull their troops out of two strategic mountains overlooking Sarajevo.

President Izetbegovic of Bosnia-Herzegovina said he would return to the negotiations, suspended for two weeks, after receiving news that Serb units had pulled back from Mount Igman and Mount Bjelasnica, taken three weeks ago.

Speaking on government-controlled Radio Bosnia, Mr Izetbegovic said he expected the Geneva talks to resume today. He said he accepted the partition of the country into Serb, Croat and Muslim mini-states because "the worse evil is to continue the war".

Up to 300 United Nations soldiers have taken up key positions in the mountains evacuated by the Serbs. Yesterday 200 Serb stragglers remained on the mountains but Barry Frewer, the UN spokesman, said they were waiting for transport which he expected would arrive during the day.

As the Saturday 4pm withdrawal deadline expired Nato fighter bombers wheeled threateningly overhead. Hotels, ski lift stations and other buildings were left blazing by the Serbs before they pulled out.

At the beginning of the mud track that leads down the mountains to Serb-held territory two tanks and a number of armoured cars waited for orders to move on and another group of soldiers sheltered from the August sun in the shade of the thick pine forests beside the road. "They are not very aggressive and they are ready to go," General Francis Briquemont, the commander of UN forces in Bosnia, said.

Under the terms of the UN-brokered deal, the Serbs withdrew from the area and the predominantly Muslim Bosnian army agreed not to try to retake its lost positions. Critics of the UN takeover say it has been lured into doing the dirty work of the Serbs because it is stopping the Bosnian army from returning to the strategic peaks. It is now clear that the political pressure placed on the Serbs and the breakdown of the Geneva talks mean that one of their main objectives in seizing the area was not realised.

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Mountain retreat: Bosnian Serb soldiers waiting for transport to take them off Mount Igman. Behind them smoke rises from the Bjelasnica Winter Olympics complex. UN troops have taken up positions left by the Serbs

UN forces face crack division on Mt Igman

BY MICHAEL EVANS
DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

THE presence of the Bosnian Serb Panthers around Mount Igman overlooking Sarajevo is a grim warning to the United Nations French legionnaires, now guarding the mountain, that one of the most efficient killing units is still in the area.

The Panthers, along with their fellow "special forces", the Tigers and White Eagles, have played a key role in the offensive against the Muslims and have the worst reputation for "ethnic cleansing".

All three units are led by young Serb warlords who have demonstrated a taste for killing as well as an ability to achieve results. While not strictly under the command of General Ratko Mladic, the Bosnian Serb military leader, their deployments to key parts of Bosnia have been part of an overall tactical plan.

The Panthers are led by Ljubisa Savic, whose *nom de guerre* is Major Mauser. A former policeman, he and his troops, numbering between 5,000 and 10,000, are based at Bijeljina, in northeast Bosnia.

Abkhazia and Georgia begin troop pull-out

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN MOSCOW

IN A move towards peace in the war-torn Black Sea region of Abkhazia, Georgian and Abkhazian troops have begun pulling back from their positions around the regional capital Sukhumi.

The withdrawal is a vital element in the Russian-sponsored peace plan accepted by both sides earlier this month. According to the plan, withdrawal of troops should be completed by midnight tomorrow. However, according to a United Nations observer in Sukhumi, so far only small numbers of Georgian troops have been withdrawn.

The ceasefire is being overseen by joint "control groups" of Russians, Georgians and Abkhazians, who appear to be under effective Russian leadership. Mine clearing operations and an exchange of prisoners have begun. This is a similar arrangement to the one which last year brought peace to Georgia's other civil war in South Ossetia. A small force of United Nations observers is also on its way.

Eduard Shevardnadze, the Georgian leader, appealed yesterday for a full-scale UN peacekeeping force for Abkhazia. This would reassure those Georgians who see the peace plan as a capitulation to Moscow. Georgians and many Western observers believe that the Russian armed forces have been backing the Abkhazians against Georgia, and that a secret Russian ultimatum was responsible for Mr Shevardnadze accepting the plan.

The plan does indeed look like a Georgian defeat. For the Georgians to pull their troops out of Sukhumi, which they have been bitterly defending for nine months, is a much bigger step than for the Abkhazians to lift their siege and withdraw some distance up the coast. Some of the Georgian nationalist paramilitaries fighting in Abkhazia have been openly critical of the peace plan, and there are fears that they may sabotage it.

In neighbouring Azerbaijan yesterday, a government spokesmen said that Armenian troops were on the outskirts of the strategically vital southern town of Fizuli, and that the town could fall at any time.

The fall of Fizuli could cut off the whole of southwestern Azerbaijan and send 200,000 refugees fleeing into neighbouring Iran. Tehran last week warned Armenia to withdraw its troops from conquered territory, saying that Iran could not be indifferent to aggression close to its borders. Turkey has also issued stern warnings to Armenia.



Shevardnadze: appeal for UN peacekeepers

Italian prison protest spreads

FROM SARAH CUNNINGHAM IN ROME

THOUSANDS of Italian prisoners yesterday refused food for the second successive day in protest at deteriorating conditions and overcrowding in the country's jails, where the number of inmates has increased by one third in the past year.

The organisers, Victims of Justice, said 90 per cent of Italy's 50,000 prisoners had responded to the call for a three-day hunger strike while the government says less than half have joined the protest. Anger over prison conditions is fuelled by the fact that 55 per cent of inmates are being held pending trial, a consequence of a congested legal system stretched to the limit by Italy's corruption scandal.

The Victims of Injustice pressure group set up two years ago by Giacomo Fassino, a former computer company manager who spent several months on remand before being found innocent, wants the government to move more remand prisoners to house arrest.

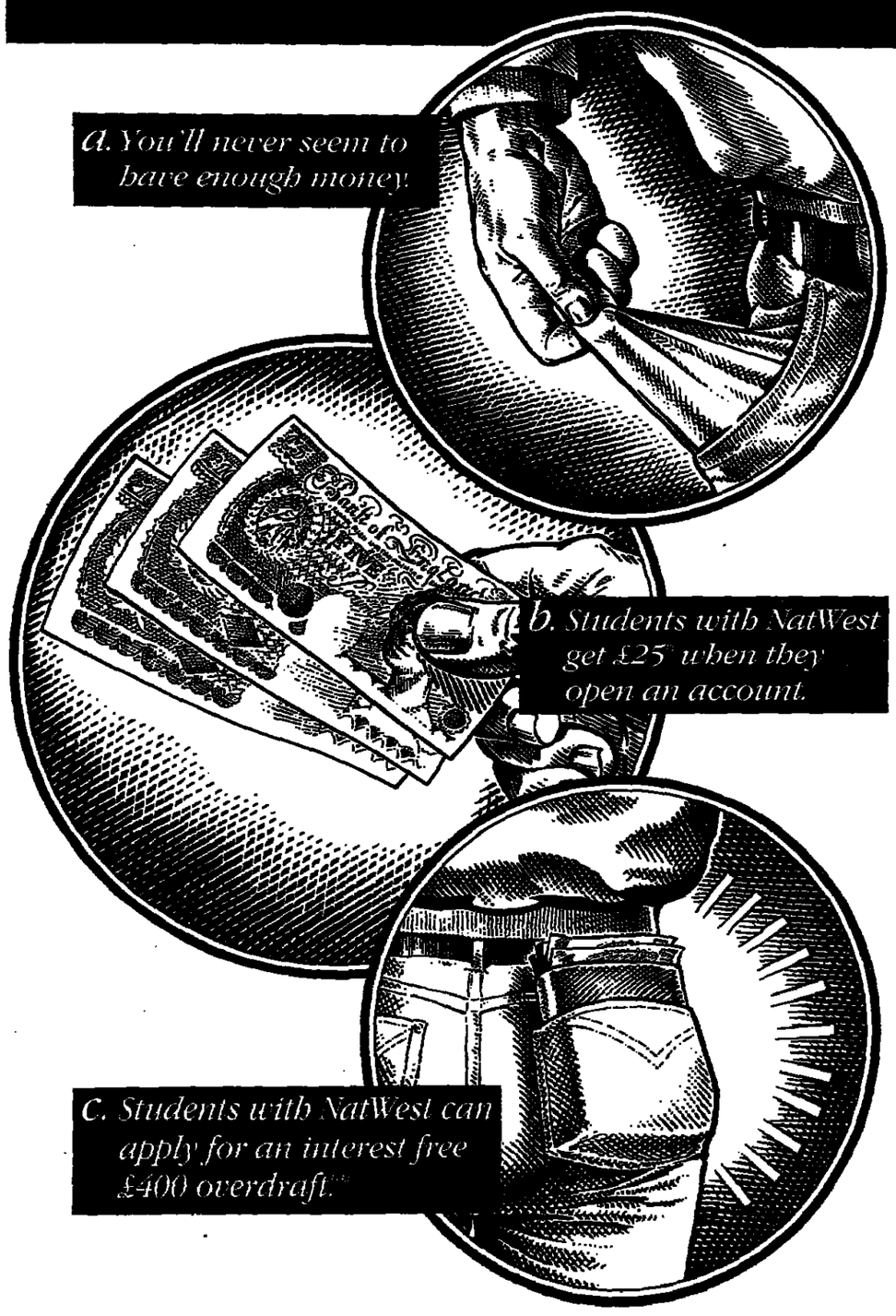
Tension along the prison corridors in the sweltering summer months is exacerbated by the 15,000 drug addicts detained. A tough law on drug possession introduced in 1990 is partly responsible for the recent big increase in numbers.

Italians voted to repeal the law in a referendum in April, but mechanisms to deal with drug addicts outside prison have not yet been established. Since the referendum only a handful of people held for drug possession have been released.

Fears that the Mafia would try to exploit the disruption caused by the hunger strike have so far proved unfounded. Cosa Nostra bosses held in maximum security prisons accepted their meals as normal, according to Francesco Di Maggio, deputy director of the prison department.

The corruption scandal which has seen many well-heeled businessmen forced to spend an uncomfortable spell behind bars, has focused attention on the prison system. Their accounts paint a bleak picture of cramped, shared cells and infestations of mice and insects.

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Moscow and Kiev 'close to deal' on nuclear weapons

FROM ANNE MCELVOY IN MOSCOW

■ The Russian foreign minister believes agreement is near on dismantling Ukraine's former Soviet nuclear arsenal, but he may simply be increasing the pressure on Kiev

MOSCOW and Kiev are close to agreement on dismantling former Soviet nuclear weapons on Ukrainian territory, heralding what Andrei Kozyrev, the Russian foreign minister, yesterday called a "major breakthrough" in the vexed disarmament process.

"I have initial and very encouraging reports that we have reached agreement with Ukraine on how to dismantle and transfer the weapons to Russia for total demolition," Mr Kozyrev told reporters in Sweden. He added that there could be a formal announcement "within days".

His comments are likely to cause a flurry of excitement in the West, which is anxious to see Ukraine's arsenal dismantled in terms of the Start I treaty, which had apparently become bogged down in misunderstandings and gamesmanship between Russia and Ukraine.

In Moscow last night official sources refused to comment about the terms of any agreement. A government spokesman did not deny the report, but said Mr Kozyrev had been speaking "in a private capacity". The unorthodox forum for Mr Kozyrev's announcement hints that it may have been intended to goad Kiev into agreeing a deal, since the pressure will now be on Ukraine to respond quickly.

The key question dogging progess is the legal ownership of the weapons, and especially of the highly enriched uranium they contain, which could be worth $5 billion (£3.3 billion) over the next two decades. Ukraine had seemed to be hardening its line on ownership. Its parliament last month proclaimed jurisdiction over the 176 ballistic missiles on its territory, which President Kravchuk seemed to endorse.



Kravchuk: offered new reading of Start I treaty

He also offered a new and, for the West, disconcerting reading of Start I, claiming it did not include 46 SS24 missiles which carry ten warheads each. The Ukrainian leader instead proposed a separate treaty with Moscow and Washington on their fate.

Mr Kozyrev yesterday seemed to have grounds for optimism, however, describing recent meetings between President Yeltsin and Mr Kravchuk as "very productive". It is unlikely, however, that Mr Kravchuk, who is subject to pressure from a strong pro-nuclear lobby in his parliament and needs to enhance his popularity to steady his presidency, will have agreed to press ahead with dismantling the weapons without some concessions from the Russian side. But he may have realised, after much prodding by Washington, that the bargaining over the amount of aid available to help finance the process was becoming counter-productive.

Russian doctors call for jabs to fight diphtheria

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN MOSCOW

London: A large British tour operator is suspending holidays to Russia following the outbreak of diphtheria and a health ministry warning. Thomson said all trips to Moscow and St. Petersburg are being cancelled from the start of next month, and money spent will be refunded. Passengers who are due to travel this month are being offered a refund. If they decide to go ahead with the trip, they are being advised that they should be inoculated.

DOCTORS in Russia issued an appeal at the weekend for the population to be vaccinated against diphtheria, a disease that used to kill tens of thousands of children each year in Europe.

It was thought that diphtheria had been virtually eradicated in Russia in the 1960s, after Western countries had achieved this about a decade earlier. Since the start of this year, however, more than 4,000 cases have been reported in Russia, and six people have died in Moscow in the past week.

There are also signs that diseases which emerged from Asia to ravage Europe in the past might also be returning to Russia. Bubonic Plague, or Black Death, is endemic in the animal population of small areas of Siberia, Mongolia and central Asia, but it rarely spreads to humans.

Last week, however, a woman in southern Kazakhstan was diagnosed as suffering from Bubonic Plague, after she cut up a hare shot by her husband, and there are unconfirmed reports of other cases. In the 14th century, the Black Death killed about one-third of the population of Europe. The last major outbreak was in China early this century.

For the first time in several years, two cases of cholera have also occurred in Moscow, with 17 reported in Russia as a whole. Tuberculosis is soaring again, malarial mosquitoes are breeding in the reservoirs around Moscow, and people are being urged to take precautions.

Counter-measures are being hampered, however, by the reluctance of the population to take immunising injections, because they fear they may contract Aids from infected needles. Given the state of Russian health services, this is a realistic fear.

As inflation soars and public finances decline, medical facilities have been hit by lack of funds. Last year government reports admitted that two-fifths of Russian hospitals had no hot water, and purifying facilities for the general population are crude and suffer from lack of maintenance.

A more basic reason for the spread of diseases is the drop in nutritional standards. Doctors say ordinary people are relying much more on cheap bread and potatoes, and less on fruit and meat.



High church: Christopher Yarka, 3, sporting a home-made mitre and perched on his father Paul's shoulders for a better view, waits for the Pope outside the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Denver, Colorado, at the weekend. The Pope, as his triumphant visit drew to a close last night, condemned the growing "evil" of sexual abuse of children by priests which has shaken the Roman Catholic church in America (writes Ian Brodie in Washington). He also offered an uncompromising reiteration of the church's stand against abortion, an issue on which his comments amounted to a public rebuke to President Clinton's pro-choice policies. The Pope's visit has been dubbed the "Catholic Woodstock" because of the exuberance shown by 170,000 delegates from 71 countries. Millions of dollars worth of souvenirs were sold.

William Rees-Mogg, page 18

Britons flock to neo-Nazi rallies

FROM ROGER BOYES IN AMSTERDAM

NEO-NAZIS from all over Europe, including Britain, demonstrated in Germany at the weekend to mark the sixth anniversary of the death of Rudolf Hess, Hitler's deputy.

The rallies, watched by more than 5,000 police, come after the neo-Nazi desecration of 200 war graves in Nijmegen and show that the far right is now organising its supporters at an international level. The far-right groups played a cat-and-mouse game with the police and left-wing counter-demonstrators. At first, the German authorities banned any political demonstration at the grave of Hess in Wunsiedel in Bavaria.

The neo-Nazis promptly announced that they would stage their rallies in Thüringen in eastern Germany. The authorities banned this, too. Then the protesters — a few hundred uniformed skinheads bearing the insignia of ultra-nationalist parties — were taken in a bus to Bischofferode where miners are striking against a planned pit closure.

But the miners yelled at them and bustled them back onto their buses. Meanwhile left-wing counter-demonstrators occupied a bridge over a highway where they hoped to bombard the neo-Nazi motor convoy. Again, because of the huge police deployment, there were no clashes. At least 50 neo-Nazis were put under preventive arrest.

British sympathisers had made the long pilgrimage to the Hess anniversary. On the fringes of the rallies far-right groups — from Belgium, France and The Netherlands — held talks on "strategy and co-ordination". Certainly cross-border co-ordination is under way. The daubing of swastikas and other Nazi slogans in the Nijmegen cemetery, where allied soldiers from the battle of Arnhem are buried, was probably the result.

☐ **Jerusalem:** Israel's supreme court will rule on Wednesday whether John Demjanjuk, acquitted of charges that he was "Ivan the Terrible", should face a second trial for other alleged war crimes. *(Reuter)*

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The proposed immigration law, welcomed by conservatives and right-wing groups, caused an outcry among human rights and anti-racist groups and was challenged in the council by communist and socialist parliamentarians.

Charles Pasqua, the interior minister, said the council's ruling went against the will of the nation's voters and would make it difficult for him to do his job, but he would abide by it. *(Reuter)*

Kashmir gang kills Hindus

Delhi: The three-year uprising in the mainly Muslim Kashmir valley took an ominous turn on Saturday when gunmen took 15 Hindu men off a bus carrying 42 passengers near Srinagar, the state capital, and shot them (Christopher Thomas writes).

The government blamed Kashmiri separatists, but two of the most important groups condemned the killings and denied responsibility. No militant group has previously specifically targeted Hindus.

Leaders at odds

Bonn: Helmut Kohl, the chancellor, wants Germany's next president to be from the former communist East as a symbol of reunification, but Theo Waigel, his Bavarian finance minister, wants a president from his own Christian Social Union. *(Reuter)*

Basques clash

San Sebastian: Fifteen people were hurt and 24 arrested during clashes between radical Basque nationalists shouting abuse against Spain and supporting the ETA separatists and angry citizens at a weekend rally. *(Reuter)*

Plane hijacked

Dusseldorf: Three crew of a Dutch airliner flying from Amsterdam to Tunis were being held hostage by a hijacker. One hundred and thirty nine passengers and crew were freed after being diverted here. *(AFP)*

Norway says no

Oslo: Most Norwegians oppose membership of the European Community. An opinion poll in the *Dagbladet* daily newspaper showed 54 per cent against membership, 35 per cent in favour and 11 per cent undecided. *(Reuter)*

£240m exodus

Jerusalem: Israel has spent £240 million flying in 440,000 immigrants from the former Soviet Union since 1991, an immigration agency said. Each person cost an average £500, which included the cost of shipping belongings. *(AFP)*



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Warhol's people clamour for more than 15 minutes of fame

*In the third of his five articles on the ethnic minorities of eastern Europe, **Adam LeBor** reports on Ruthenians, whom he calls "the forgotten people"*

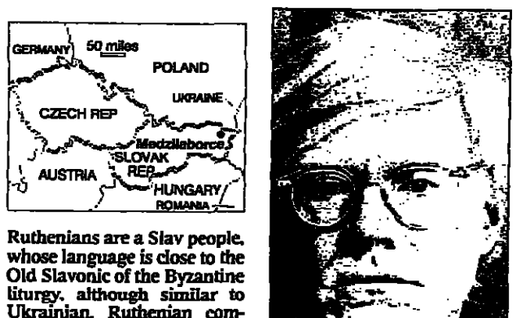
Rain spatters across the giant soup cans here in Medzilaborce in deepest rural Ruthenia. The twin towers, painted in Campbell's soup red and white, have a surreal appearance in this remote corner of eastern Europe.

The cans are a monument to the creativity of Ruthenia's most famous son, the artist Andy Warhol. True, he was born in Philadelphia, but his parents were proud Ruthenians. The containers mark the entrance to the Andy Warhol museum, established by Ruthenian activists, now home to dozens of his pictures, half on loan from the Andy Warhol Foundation, the rest owned by the Slovak government.

"He spoke some Ruthenian and we can find parallels between his art and Ruthenian art, particularly in his early period," said Michal Bycko, chairman of the Andy Warhol Society. Still, Mr Bycko admits that the subtleties of pop art are not always appreciated by his bucolic Ruthenian neighbours.

The forgotten people of eastern Europe, the Ruthenians, lost out in the scramble for statehood after the collapse of communism. As well as housing Warhol's masterpieces Medzilaborce was the site of the first world congress of Ruthenians in 1991, when Ruthenians from all over eastern Europe, America and Canada gathered to assert their national identity.

While newly independent states sprang up across the region, the stateless Ruthenians could only look on enviously. Spread across eastern Slovakia, southern Poland and western Ukraine, the Ruthenians are a Slav people, whose language is close to the Old Slavonic of the Byzantine liturgy, although similar to Ukrainian. Ruthenian communities also exist in Hungary and former Yugoslavia, and there are probably a million scattered around the world.



"Everyone has their own country except the Ruthenians. We are the Kurds of Europe, split over several countries," said Vasil Turok, of the Ruthenian Renewal Movement in nearby Presov. "We know it's not possible to gain independence, but we want the same rights in the states we live in. But we need to become more visible."

The region did enjoy a brief flourish of independence in March 1939, when the region declared itself independent Carpatho-Ukraine. The next day it was annexed by Hungary. That set the pattern for the next few decades.

Under communism the Ruthenians were not recognised as a separate nationality. Their culture was suppressed, their priests incarcerated and their language was regarded as a Ukrainian dialect. Even now Ukrainian national activists, who proudly proclaim their liberal credentials and love for ethnic Slovaks, Hungarians and Jews, revert quickly to authoritarian type at the mention of Ruthenians and deny their very existence.

Warhol: parallels with Ruthenian art

"We have our own history, psychology and etiquette, all totally different from Ukrainians, so is our culture," said Mr Turok. "Our language is not the same, much closer to Slovak. We are preparing a dictionary, with 10,000 words. Ukrainian politicians deny we exist but there are many written documents to show that the Ruthenian people have been here since the 9th century."

The Slovak government gives 10 million crowns a year (£213,000) for Ruthenian cultural activities, said Mr Turok. Realpolitik as much as generosity lies behind this and Slovakia is keen to avoid a dispute with Ukraine over the Ruthene question; better a Ruthenian minority busying itself with cultural activities than demanding autonomy, or even independence as has happened in Ukraine.

There a group of Ukrainian Ruthenians have declared themselves the "Ruthenian émigré government". Demanding the establishment of an independent Republic of Sub-Carpathian Ukraine, Tibor Ondik, its self-proclaimed foreign minister, said in Bratislava that the émigré government would petition the International Court of Justice, the United Nations and the European parliament for recognition as a sovereign state.

The demands of the secessionists appear to owe more to Evelyn Waugh's *Scoop* than reality but they claim legitimacy from the 1991 Ukrainian independence referendum, in which the trans-Carpathia region, home to many Ruthenians, voted for autonomy. Still, the antics of the émigré government reduce even many Ruthenians to laughter.

"It's nonsense, not even worth thinking about," said Michal Bycko. "Tomorrow I could declare myself a Sultan but what would that mean? Unfortunately the Ruthenians have already had their 15 minutes of fame."

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The more we look into environmental issues...



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the more environmental issues we find to look into.



All products have an impact.

People, business and retailers all have an impact on the environment.

As a retailer our most significant impact is caused by the products we sell. We are committed to reducing that impact.

We have a responsibility.

However, the impact does not occur when the product sits on our stores' shelves but at other stages in its long and complex life cycle – from the cradle to the grave.

Despite that, our first step on the ladder to environmental improvement was to acknowledge that we have a responsibility to reduce that impact wherever feasible.

This basic principle is the heart of our environmental policy. But it is a responsibility that we must share with all the other links in the supply chain. At the same time, we must reduce our impact in store and in our other operations.

We need your help.

It means not only getting all our suppliers involved and their suppliers, but also involving you the customer. You too have an important role to play.

Research-Policy-Action.

The second step towards environmental improvement is to begin to find out what those impacts actually are and to identify the most effective remedies. Those solutions must then become B&Q company policy with a realistic action plan involving targets to make the theoretical solutions a reality.

Why bother considering the longer term ?

As market leaders, B&Q believes that it must consider the longer term and take on board not only the views of you the customers but all interested parties. That includes shareholders, our staff, our children and of course, the environmental pressure groups. So, although it is not possible to look for an immediate payback on environmental progress, meeting and exceeding customer demands and expectations is a basic principle of any business. So, in the long term, we believe that reducing our impact will help our business as well as the environment.



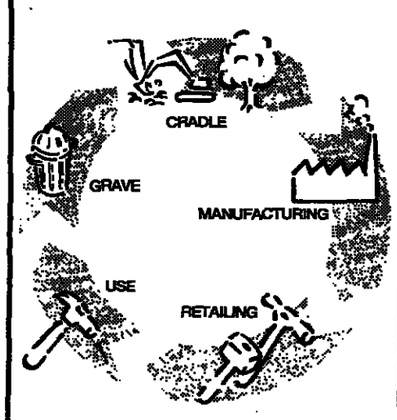
The life cycle of a product.

'Even a hammer has an impact'.

Who would have considered that a hammer could have a significant environmental impact?

Yet the timber shaft comes from a forest and the metal head originally comes from a quarry. To turn that wood and metal ore into a hammer requires manufacturing which uses up energy and creates waste. When the hammer is broken can it be repaired or recycled?

Another example is car engine oil; we can strive to ensure that it is made in environmentally safer ways but if it is disposed of in a country ditch it will still be polluting.



Identifying where the major impact of a product occurs is a fundamental principle behind our policy.

At the moment we are far from knowing what all the impacts are for our 40,000 products. However, we know far more than we did when we started over three years ago. We have, therefore, only made the first few steps up a very long ladder.

What we do know is that a simple range of 'green' products with 'business as usual' for all the others is not the right approach.

Instead, we must establish a process whereby we can continually scrutinise the performance of all our products and have a mechanism for continuous improvement.

Research is the key.



Dr. Alan Knight

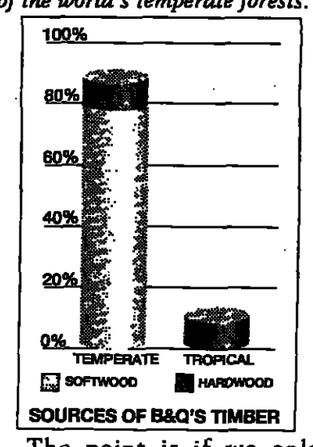
Three years ago, B&Q recruited Dr. Alan Knight as our in-house environmental scientist. Working with specialist environmental consultants, his brief was to examine every facet of our operation. This included the life cycle of our entire product range and the day to day running of the business. He then recommended the improvements that could be made in the short, medium and longer term.

However, implementation of those policies is down to all the staff at B&Q and the achievements made so far are because of their co-operation.

Research first.

Research is vital – without it we would be acting upon perceptions of questionable reliability and may even overlook important issues altogether.

For example, the connection between tropical timber products and rainforest destruction is well publicised, but few people are aware of the destruction of some of the world's temperate forests.



SOURCES OF B&Q'S TIMBER

The point is if we only respond to the widespread pressure group activity and customer concern, we might ignore many more environmental and ethical problems associated with our products.

Life cycle: the cradle.

The two highest profile issues for B&Q are both examples where the impact of our products occurs in the cradle. Namely *timber* and *peat*.

Timber.

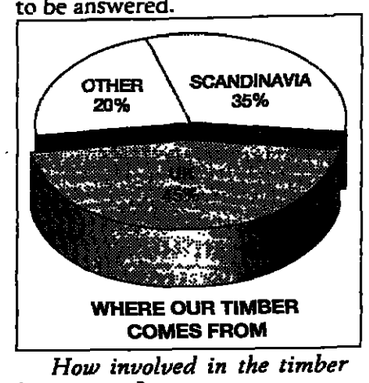
The extraction of timber, along with many other factors, contributes to the destruction of the world's natural forests.

However, a society that uses no timber is unimaginable – but if it produced truly sustainable timber, then timber would arguably be one of the most environmentally acceptable raw materials available to us.

Sustainable sources only.

On September 3rd. 1991, the Board of B&Q made the decision to adopt the 1995 target of World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF). This means that by the end of 1995 it is our intention to only buy timber from well managed sources. We were the first retailer to agree to this target.

However, to achieve this target some basic questions had to be answered.



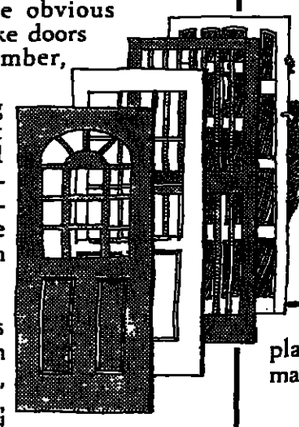
WHERE OUR TIMBER COMES FROM

How involved in the timber issue are we?

What products are made of, or use timber?

Where does our timber come from?

Last year B&Q sold about 250,000 cubic meters of timber. About one in five of our products is made of, or contains wood. These figures include the obvious products like doors and cut timber, but the surprising fact is that kitchens and garden products consume more timber than many other ranges.



Wood is also used in tool handles, door knobs, brooms and of course, the hammer shaft, as well as many other products.

Our timber comes from 40 different countries, with the UK being the largest single source. Over 90% of our timber is from temperate forests.

Our environmental team has travelled extensively around the world investigating these issues and has had the invaluable help of many experts, such as, WWF.

Is it just tropical timber?

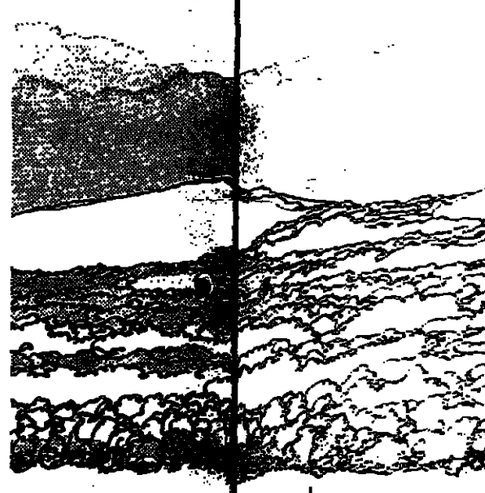
There are deep concerns being expressed about poor forest management in temperate forest regions of the world.

Some countries are clear-felling vast stretches of natural temperate forest. Some experts argue that this is the best way to manage those forests, whilst others believe it to be highly destructive.

Even the UK's softwood plantations have not been without their critics.

So, a simple boycott of all tropical timber would not be correct since some tropical forests are probably well managed and some of the alternative temperate sources might be badly managed. In addition, boycotting tropical timber will not address the underlying issues in the tropics, such as inappropriate land use and the need for development to fight poverty and debt.

That is why B&Q policy applies to all timber – not just tropical.



What do we actually mean by 'sustainable timber production'?

B&Q believes that sustainable timber production means far more than a continuous yield of timber. Two other principles must be included:

i) The balance of plant and animal life must be maintained.

ii) Indigenous people should not be adversely affected by logging activities; they should benefit from them – as well as having some control over the operations.

B&Q supports the work of organisations and individuals across the world who are working to establish detailed principles and criteria for good forest management. These principles need to be applicable to all the world's timber and should include detailed criteria on social issues and species protection.

How can B&Q buy only sustainably produced timber?

Firstly, we must demonstrate our commitment. After the target of 1995, after which we will only buy timber from well managed sources.

Secondly, we must know precisely where the timber comes from. How can we be sure our timber comes from a well managed source if we don't know exactly where it grows?

Traceability is the key.

Timber should be traceable from the forest to the customer. This is easily said but difficult to put into operation.

However, we have set ourselves a target for the end of 1993. After then we will only buy timber if the origin is known to us. That applies to all products containing any amount of wood.

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We've made the first few steps



We have already audited 115 timber suppliers twice and are providing guidance to them in the form of summary reports, individual progress reports and seminars. John Frost, B&Q's timber buyer, is working full time to achieve our targets.

Even when we are confident that we are buying timber from well managed sources, how can we prove it to you – the customer?

The only way this can be achieved is by independent certification of forest management and place of origin.

Certifiers must work to internationally agreed standards, be independent of governments and trade, and the standards must be applicable to all the world's timber. It is vital that the certification occurs at forest level (not just the country level) and that the certifiers are accredited by a competent body like the proposed Forest Stewardship Council, due for launch in October 1993.

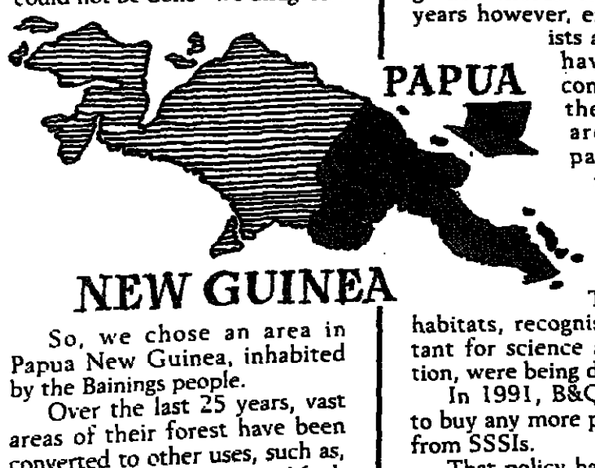
B&Q will be involved in trial certification projects.

We look forward to the day when existing and new suppliers come to us with products that are already independently certified.

Proving it can be done.

The Bainings community based forest project.

B&Q is funding a project to test the viability of sustainable forestry by the indigenous communities who inhabit and own the forest. Some believed that it could not be done–we disagreed.



So, we chose an area in Papua New Guinea, inhabited by the Bainings people.

Over the last 25 years, vast areas of their forest have been converted to other uses, such as, plantations and cash crops. Much has also been sold for a fraction of its real value to some highly destructive foreign owned commercial logging companies. The only benefit for the Bainings has been the income from these sales.

An alternative would be to keep their land and produce their own timber in a more sustainable way.

A forest expert extension worker has been appointed to train local people in the techniques of good forest management.

Overall the project should teach us a great deal about the practical problems of achieving sustainable timber production and developing small scale forest projects which directly benefit the indigenous forest owners.

It will enable you to purchase timber in the full knowledge that rather than damaging the forest, you are buying timber which is helping indigenous communities on the other side of the world and protecting their forests from the far more destructive logging operations which are already occurring in their neighbourhood.

This would represent one of the higher steps on the ladder–a supply chain where people in every link benefit from the trading relationship while the environmental impact is minimised.

B&Q'S TARGET
BY THE END OF 1993 B&Q WILL NOT PURCHASE ANY TIMBER FROM AN UNKNOWN SOURCE.

B&Q'S TARGET
BY THE END OF 1995 IF WE ARE NOT SATISFIED WOOD COMES FROM A WELL MANAGED SOURCE WE WILL NOT BUY IT.

Peat.

We are Europe's largest chain of garden centres and every year we sell many thousand tonnes of peat.

For practically every job in the garden, peat has proven to be the ideal growing medium and most effective for many garden chores. In the last few years however, environmentalists and the public have become concerned about the stripping of areas of peat, particularly in the Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs). These natural habitats, recognised as important for science and conservation, were being destroyed.

In 1991, B&Q decided not to buy any more peat that came from SSSIs.

That policy has been underpinned by a programme of research and development of peat alternatives which has been fully developed under the supervision of Paul Roebuck our horticultural buyer.

Peat alternatives.



So, B&Q can offer their customers a choice - non SSSI peat or peat alternatives.

- B&Q Coir (Multi-purpose compost)–made from coconut fibres.
- B&Q Peat-Free Growing Bags–composted wood scrap and bark.
- J. Arthur Bower's New Horizons (Multi-purpose compost) - composted wood scrap and bark.
- J. Arthur Bower's Mulch 'n' Mix.
- BIO Peat-Free Multi Purpose Compost.
- B&Q Ground and Compost Bark.
- B&Q Decorative Chipped Bark.
- Danu Organic Soil Conditioner and Fertilizer.



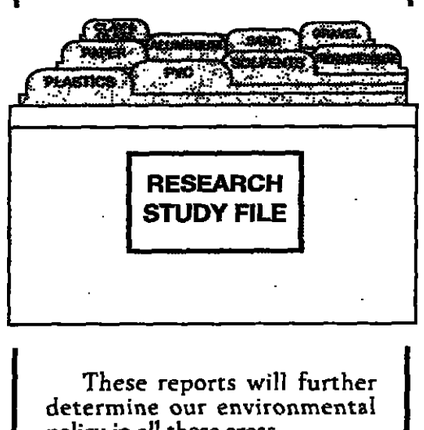
The range has the additional advantage of being derived from recycled organic waste products and it's proving to be both effective and popular.

Research into other materials.

Timber is of course, only one of the many materials that are used in DIY products. B&Q has asked Aspinwall & Company, our environmental consultants to do research studies into many of the other raw materials that we use.

These include:

Plastics, PVC, Solvents, Trichloroethylene, Paper, Aluminium, Sand, Gravel, Clay and Glass.



RESEARCH STUDY FILE

These reports will further determine our environmental policy in all these areas.

Being realistic, how can we have a positive effect when we are so far down the supply chain?

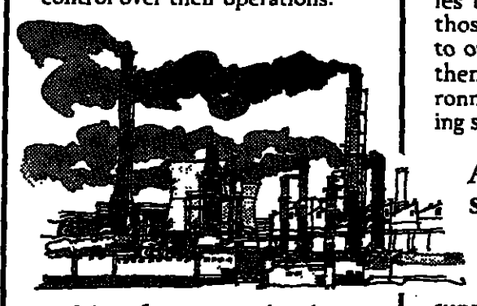
In the case of peat, since we were such a large purchaser of peat, our own buying choice has had an impact. In the case of timber our effect is more influential; for example, causing our competitors to adopt similar targets.

In the case of metal extraction, clearly our influence will be minute. This stresses the importance of many more companies adopting similar policies.

Life cycle: manufacture of product.

Manufacturing is the next stage in a product's life cycle. Environmental impacts occur in the form of energy use, resource consumption and emissions to land, sea and air.

Only the manufacturers are empowered to minimise that impact, since they have direct control over their operations.



Manufacturers also know much more about their products than anybody else, and can design a product to reduce impact at other stages of the life cycle.

Therefore they must be involved.

So, B&Q intends ultimately to buy only from suppliers who understand what the major impacts of their products are and show a real commitment to reduce them in a realistic time scale.

All suppliers are now required to produce a written policy outlining their impacts and with real action to reduce them.

How do we make sure that action is meaningful?

All suppliers have to complete a detailed 40-page questionnaire.

In addition, many are visited by Alan Knight or our environmental consultants.

We call it :

The B&Q Supplier Environmental Audit. (SEA)

In December 1991, the SEA was launched at a special conference we held for 200 of our major suppliers.

We explained to them that if they wished to continue trading with us they would have to meet our requirements on the environment. And above all to demonstrate that they share our commitment to reducing the impact of their businesses upon the environment as well.

By October 1992, 30% of suppliers had already complied.

Since the conference, it has been part of our Terms of Trading that each supplier should have an environmental policy backed by an environmental audit.

At the moment, 30% of our suppliers comply with this condition and we are working with the remainder to achieve rapid progress towards this requirement.

While the figure indicates the extent of the work remaining to be tackled by our suppliers, we take heart that we are already well ahead of the national average in getting the message across.

The procedure for supplier audits has been improved and is being repeated in 1993.

SEA findings: fact not speculation.

We're building a database from all the supplier audits that we've been carrying out.

It will give us a much stronger position from which to respond to new environmental pressures.

Putting our buyers in the driving seat.

It is vital that buyers appreciate the environmental issues associated with their products and the companies that they buy from. That's why during 1993 we have been conducting a series of briefings and debriefings with our buyers, including a number of supplier seminars, alerting them to the issues caused by the products they buy. This will bring to their attention the performance of the companies they deal with, particularly those who have not responded to our questionnaires and allow them to begin to include environmental criteria when selecting suppliers and products.

And what about the suppliers' suppliers?

It is expected that B&Q's suppliers will themselves eventually audit their suppliers as part of their environmental programmes. In this way environmental reform is pushed right up the supply chain towards the product 'cradle'.

For example, our hammer supplier would audit the timber supplier of the shafts, the foundry supplying the hammer head, and the supplier of the varnish. Already, 14% of our suppliers have indicated that they in turn are auditing their suppliers.

We are not saying all our products are green. There are numerous steps to take. What we are saying is that we have a mechanism which will reduce the impact of all our products.

This is best demonstrated by a case study. Would you have ever considered that there was an issue with lampshades?

Readers Isle of Wight Ltd.

Readers, a lampshade manufacturer based on the Isle of Wight, has shown what can be quickly achieved by the manufacturing sector.



They had been supplying B&Q with lighting and wire storage products for many years. Mike Reader, the Managing Director, attended our Supplier Conference in December 1991. It proved to be the catalyst for a very active environmental programme.

The Readers' Board formulated and adopted an environmental policy with a Priority Action Plan.

It involved contacting over 200 of Readers' suppliers with an environmental questionnaire, energy monitoring procedures, making improvements to factory sites and many more constructive ideas, such as, making use of offcuts and other products that cannot easily be recycled.

Every one of Readers' staff is enthused with the environmental message, and so it spreads to the community at large.

And there's still a long way to go.



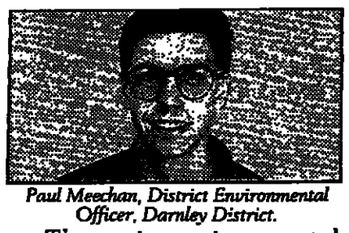
Life cycle: the Retail Environment. Putting our own house in order.

Whilst we are putting considerable pressure on our suppliers, we are well aware of our own responsibilities.

Success in this area rests largely with the enthusiasm and commitment of our staff.

In this respect we are greatly encouraged by the response to our call for Environmental Volunteers in each store.

Their role is not to be an environmental spokesperson but rather, to implement aspects of our environmental policy in store.

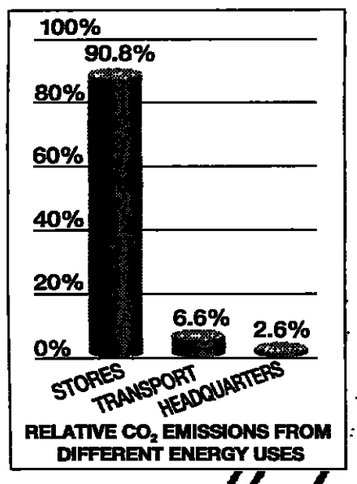


Paul Meechan, District Environmental Officer, Darnley District.

The main environmental impacts of running a store are energy and waste.

Energy.

B&Q's energy consumption



RELATIVE CO_2 EMISSIONS FROM DIFFERENT ENERGY USES

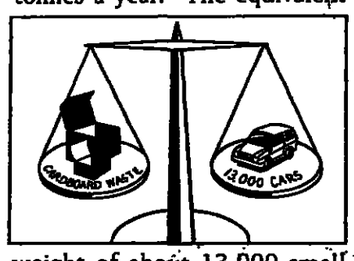
released about 109,000 tonnes of CO_2 into the atmosphere during 1992, with the vast proportion coming from our stores.

Our Property department has been conducting an intensive energy audit in 20 stores, using independent consultants, to build our understanding of the specific energy use. This will be followed by a programme of energy efficient modifications, concentrating on heating and lighting under the direction of our full time energy manager, Frank Moss.

Waste.

In 1991 a review of our waste production was conducted and approximate figures for the waste streams were as follows:

i) Cardboard waste–6,700 tonnes a year. The equivalent



weight of about 13,000 small family cars. About 50% is recycled and we are investigating ways of recycling more.

ii) Plastic waste–250 tonnes a year. Equivalent to about 500,000 plastic buckets.

We have initiated a scheme to clear up and safely dispose of spills of hazardous and messy waste, such as paint and garden chemicals.

Environmental activity in store.

To reduce environmental impacts in store, we have since June this year, sent out to all our stores a fortnightly action tasks bulletin.

These tasks include installing an environmental notice board in the canteen area, briefing the staff on the issues, setting up recycling schemes for plastic cups and cans, as well as many more.

This activity is co-ordinated by SWAP Recycling who have been briefing store managers on the issues as well as visiting stores.

Life cycle: product use.

Paint is a good example of a product which has an impact during use.

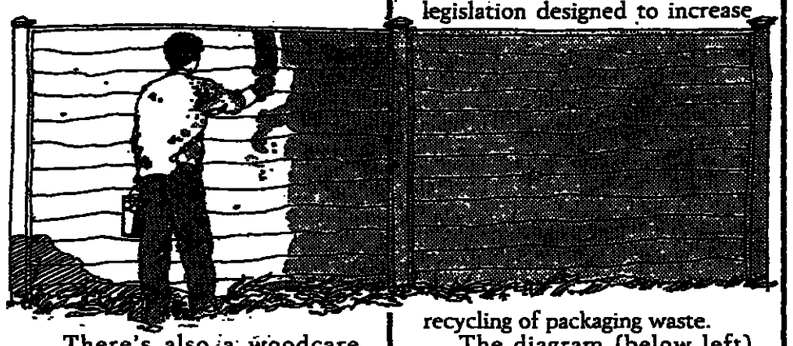
Water based paints.

The environmental effects of using paint are only now becoming widely understood. The main issue is the solvent content.

The solvent in paint evaporates into the air as the paint dries and contributes to summertime smog. Although it is estimated that only about 2% of this smog is caused by paint solvents, it is an amount which we can help decrease.

B&Q has therefore introduced an own label range of low solvent and solvent free paints.

They include vinyl matt, silk and satin emulsions, kitchen and bathroom paints, gloss paint, textured paints, multi-ripple, multi-texture and exterior masonry paints.



There's also a woodcare range which includes Garden Timbercare, Timbercare Plus and Quick Dry Varnish.

Our B&Q colour card provides information in store for our customers to see the environmental advantages of such paints and helps them to make their choice.

All our paint and woodcare products are free of PCP, Lindane and lead additives.

Life cycle: the product grave.

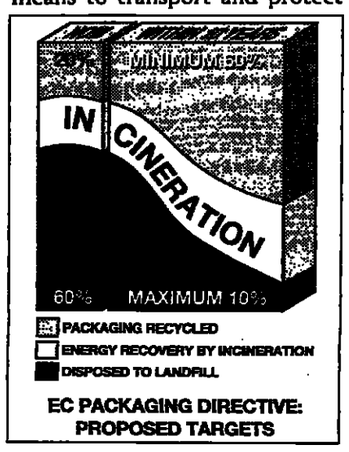
All product lives come to an end–and then we must dispose of them.

At the moment about 90% of the UK's waste goes to landfill. But with the government target of 25% of all waste to be recycled, this is likely to change.

The first area to tackle is packaging.

Packaging: who needs it?

Packaging is a highly visible impact of retailing, since it accounts for approximately 25% to 30% of all domestic waste. On one hand it provides the means to transport and protect



EC PACKAGING DIRECTIVE: PROPOSED TARGETS

the product. On the other it is inevitably thrown away having used valuable resources in its production.

Some products, like our hammer, can be sold without any primary packaging, but even the hammer will require some transport packaging from the manufacturer to B&Q. For the past few years we have been using more reusable transit packaging, such as tote boxes, roll cages and reusable pallets.

Getting an optimum balance is the challenge.

The EC is currently drafting legislation designed to increase recycling of packaging waste.

The diagram (below left) shows the draft EC targets.

B&Q's approach is to provide environmental guidelines to our suppliers.

Our packaging policy is simple;

i) to use no packaging at all where possible (some products are sold with no packaging, e.g. guttering).

ii) to use less packaging where possible.

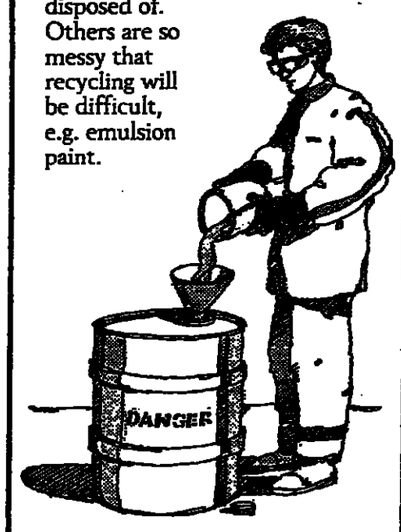
iii) to use recycled materials–our carrier bags are made from recycled plastic.

iv) to design all our packaging for recycling.

Difficult waste.

There are many products that you buy that may cause difficult waste problems. Some products like creosote may cause damage to the environment if carelessly disposed of.

Others are so messy that recycling will be difficult, e.g. emulsion paint.



There are many more that may cause difficult waste problems: adhesives, anti-freeze, some car body and repair products, engine oil, fertilizers, fungicides, strippers, pesticides, herbicides, smoke alarms, varnishes and others.

Whilst legislation requires companies to dispose of such products separately from ordinary waste, individuals can continue to use a single bin.

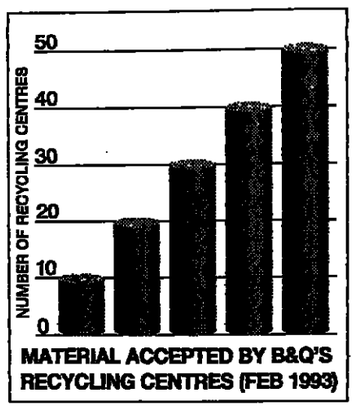
There is very little information on their safest disposal.

In response to these problems, during last summer we worked with ICI Dulux, Leeds City Council and SWAP Recycling and ran a trial scheme for the collection and disposal of these difficult wastes – we called it the WasteWagon. As the first scheme of its kind in the UK the WasteWagon not only raised public awareness of the problem, it has taught us how we could deal with the products when recycling becomes more widespread.

Our recycling consultants have investigated the disposal issues associated with most of our product range.

Bottle banks: where we can.

Besides recycling our own waste, we believe we should encourage recycling of customer waste. In 1991, we set ourselves a target of 75 recycling centres in store car parks. 74 are now in place with a total of 150 different skips.



Environmental awards.

Our Supplier Environmental Audit has won B&Q public recognition. The Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufacturers and Commerce awarded us one of their environmental management awards for 'a very substantial initiative by a market leader'. We also won a Business and Industry Commitment to the Environment award in November 1992 for our progress on peat-free products.

You are part of our supply chain.

We cannot make all the improvements alone.

Do you recycle your waste?
Is your home energy efficient?
And could you do more?

How far have we come?

This has only been a snapshot of the programme and policy that we have put in hand.

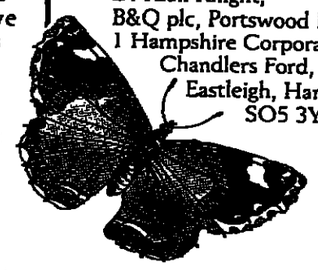
As you can see we've only climbed the first few steps and have many more to go.

Our special environment hotline will be open this week from 9am to 5pm.

For any telephone enquiries ring: 0703 256608.

Alternatively, please write to:

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Exiled Tiananmen veteran dares police to shoot him



Han: expelled after 17 hours and accused of subversion abroad

A dissident who refuses to go away could jeopardise China's economic renewal and its bid for Olympic 2000, writes ***Jonathan Mirsky*** *in Hong Kong*

HAN Dongfang, 30, the man Chinese call "our Lech Walesa", said here yesterday: "I told the policeman who had arrested me I would keep trying to enter China and that if after the tenth or the fiftieth time they decided to shoot me, I wanted them to remember that I was a good man."

A railway repair man from a poor family, Mr Han is a key figure in one of the Chinese Communist party's worst nightmares: a unified movement of free industrial workers demanding an end to exploitation by the world's largest Marxist-Leninist regime.

Last Friday Mr Han entered China, which he had been permitted to leave a year ago, after 22 months in prison for his leading role during the Tiananmen uprising, for medical treatment in America. After only 17 hours he was arrested and expelled, accused of attempting to subvert the Chinese government while he was abroad. Mr Han said police had taken $1,000 (£666) from his luggage after he told them he could not return to Hong Kong, as he did not have the necessary onward ticket from the British colony to another country. The Chinese police used the seized cash to buy him a ticket to Switzerland.

Mr Han is in Hong Kong on a one-week visa and has announced that he will not leave the colony voluntarily. The authorities here normally return "undesirable aliens" to China, which in this case has already told Mr Han that he is "not welcome". Until he left China last year, Mr Han was the president of the Federation of Free Trade Unions, whose tents in Tiananmen Square on the night of the Peking massacre on June 3-4, 1989, were the first target of the tanks which rolled into the square. Mr Han narrowly escaped being crushed to death.

Two weeks later, already one of the country's "most wanted" criminals, Mr Han turned himself in to the police who demanded his confession. Mr Han insisted that he had commited no crime and was merely making a report. He was held for 22 months, charged with the catch-all crime of "counter-revolution". Confined with infectiously ill prisoners, he developed tuberculosis. During this period James Baker, the American Secretary of State visiting Peking, demanded Mr Han's release. Already alarmed that their prisoner would die, the authorities told Mr Han he was "not subject to criminal prosecution" and permitted him and his wife to fly to America for medical treatment. As he left, the security officials assured him: "You will be weclome to return to China." Mr Han replied that although he doubted this, he intended to return.

Last Friday, after a year in America where doctors removed part of one lung, Mr Han sailed from Hong Kong to the neighbouring Chinese port of Aotou where he was certain his name would not be known. But after he checked into one of Canton's main hotels, the Dong Fang, ten policemen burst into Mr Han's room and arrested him.

Less than a day after entering China, Mr Han was hanging on to a railing at the border as security men, trying to deport him to Hong Kong, beat him on the arms and shoulders to make him let go. He had already pointed at workers' shacks and told his captors: "I want to make conditions here better for those people." Yesterday Mr Han again attempted to enter China but was refused entry by border police who told him that they were under orders to keep him out. "My case is just a small one," Mr Han said here a few hours later. "But the number of violations of human rights in China is too great to count. I'm a citizen, innocent of any crime. I'll tell you this: in China if the police get their hands on you, you can kiss your human rights goodbye."

Mr Han denied that while abroad he engaged in any subversive actions, although he has spoken at international meetings such as the one last month in Vienna on human rights. "And inside China, too, everything we do is public. The situation between workers and employers in China is getting worse all the time. If they would just let the Free Trade Union Federation alone we could act as a mediating force. We belong to no political party — but we won't let the party control us either."

A month ago the Chinese railways informed Mr Han in America that he had been dismissed "because I had been absent from work for more than 15 days" — although he had been given permission to leave. He said yesterday that he had intended to bring a suit for wrongful dismissal.

During the past year four or five dissidents have attempted to re-enter China after Peking announced that such past activists are welcome to return. All have been either blocked at the border or expelled.

Peking, which is desperate to modernise its economy, knows that the US Congress, which early next year will be called on to support White House moves to extend China's most favoured nation trading status permitting the entry of cheap Chinese exports, is watching its human rights behaviour. Next month, too, the International Olympic Committee meets to consider China's application to hold the games in the year 2000. International critics, including 60 American senators, oppose China's bid on the grounds that it abuses human rights. Peking wants modernisation and the games, but it wants to curb dissidence more.

Last night Robin Munro of Asia Watch, the international human rights organisation, said: "Han is from a family in Shanxi province who were the poorest of the poor. They were the people for whom Mao said he was making the revolution. Now Peking is saying that when it frees dissidents, this really means banishment."

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Deportees accept Israeli terms for phased repatriation

FROM BEN LYNFIELD IN JERUSALEM AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

■ **Pressure from families and a lack of faith in the United Nations has persuaded the remaining 395 Palestinian deportees in southern Lebanon to modify their demands**

NEARLY 400 deported Palestinians stranded for eight months in southern Lebanon yesterday accepted an Israeli offer to return home in stages, while Yitzhak Rabin, the prime minister, hinted that he would give up Jewish settlements in the occupied territories as part of peace arrangements.

The return of the 395 deportees, to start in September, became possible when they dropped their insistence on returning to the territories in one group and accepted an Israeli offer to allow 192 to return next month and the rest by the end of the year. "It is better to stay in Palestine as stones for Israel to stumble over than to be a fighter resisting from outside Palestine," said Jamal Abu Shabaan, a deportee.

Abdel-Aziz Rantisi, spokesman for the deportees and a leader of Hamas (the Islamic Resistance Movement), said the men unanimously decided to return after being swayed by the United Nations Security Council's failure to implement Resolution 799, which demanded their immediate return, and by appeals from their families and Islamic movements.

Speaking about settlements in the occupied territories, Mr Rabin gave a warning to settlers there that they would have to get accustomed to the idea of exchanging land for peace with the Palestinians and Syria. "Without compromises on both sides, peace will not be achieved" he said, adding that spending on settlements on the West Bank and Gaza Strip was "money which is not relevant for the future of Israel".

He said that during the 1973 Yom Kippur war, settlements in the Golan Heights had proved to be a strategic liability. "Unfortunately the first thing we had to do was vacate all of the settlements. They interfered with the activities of our military forces." Referring to the West Bank and Gaza Strip, Mr Rabin added: "It would be easier for our army to cope with terrorism without having to weigh all the time who is there."

Israel is anxious to minimise any heroes' welcome for the deportees, who were bound, blindfolded and taken in buses into the freezing, desolate area of Marj az-Zahour, Lebanon, in December in a move that turned into a public relations fiasco for Mr Rabin and set back Middle East peace talks for four months. The expulsions were carried out under emergency regulations without trial after a spate of lethal attacks on security forces by Hamas and Islamic Jihad. "Some will go home, some might go to jail. Each case has to be decided on its own merits," said Gad Ben-Ari, a spokesman for Mr Rabin.



To stave off looming UN sanctions, Israel agreed in February to cut the original terms of the deportations in half and allow the immediate return of 101 deportees. But Mr Rabin and his aides have shown no remorse over the move and the prime minister said last week it had succeeded in dealing a blow to the fundamentalist groups.

Eliyakim Rubinstein, Mr Rabin's cabinet secretary, said yesterday that Israel would not negotiate with exiled PLO officials in Tunis. Mr Rubinstein, who heads Israel's team to talks with the Palestinians, said: "The government does not conduct negotiations with the PLO, only with the Palestinians from the territories."

Israel has gradually softened its ban on PLO contacts in the 13 months since Mr Rabin's more dovish Labour party ousted the hardline Likud party led by Yitzhak Shamir. Previous Israeli governments banned any contacts, branding the PLO a terrorist group bent on destroying Israel. This year Israel allowed private citizens to have contacts with the PLO and in July Mr Rabin approved a meeting between his environment minister and a senior PLO official so long as it was clearly not viewed as a government mission.

☐ **Beirut:** A Palestinian guerrilla group claimed yesterday that bodyguards foiled an attempt by agents paid by Israel to assassinate one of its leaders. The Islamic Jihad Movement in Palestine said six gunmen tried to kill Muhammad Abu Samra, a member of the group's central leadership. *(Reuter)*



Chained defiance: with his wrist manacled and holding a copy of the Koran, one of 50 defendants accused of taking part in an extremist plot to overthrow the government stands caged at a military court outside Cairo. Prosecutors are preparing to call for a retrial of 27 Islamic militants acquitted of the assassination in 1990 of Rifaat al-Mahgub, the parliamentary Speaker (Reuter reports). The top security court acquitted all the defendants after throwing out evidence obtained through torture, but the civilian court sentenced ten of them to jail terms ranging from three to 15 years for carrying weapons and forged papers. Prosecutors will appeal to President Mubarak, who last year ordered trials of militants moved to military courts, which move more quickly and issue harsher sentences.

☐ **Amman:** Jordanian authorities arrested eight Islamic militants for an alleged plot to kill King Husain at a military academy graduation ceremony in June and hanged two convicted of spying for Israel. *(AFP)*

NEWS IN BRIEF

Thai hotel manager accused of negligence

Nakhon Ratchasima: The general manager of the Royal Plaza Hotel and three other local businessmen have been charged with criminal negligence after the collapse of the six-storey hotel last Friday, Thai police said yesterday.

The four people were being interrogated at police headquarters as the death toll from the disaster rose to 85. Up to 40 people were still trapped in the rubble, and rescuers were trying to reach two maids pinned under concrete slabs, but hopes were fading that many more survivors would be found.

Speculation has mounted that the collapse was caused by the installation of three water tanks on top of the building. Officials alleged that the hotel, originally a three-storey massage parlour, was increased to six storeys illegally three years ago. Recent modifications included the construction of another floor and the installation of the three tanks. *(AFP/AP)*

Somalis held

Mogadishu: Three hundred American troops, supported by helicopters, detained three Somali men after an early morning United Nations raid to uncover illegal arms caches in the capital. Tear gas and stun grenades were used. *(Reuter)*

Council block

Johannesburg: The South african government has been forced to drop plans for multi-racial local authorities to be created within the next two months after 89 right-wing local councils threatened "open warfare" if the proposals were implemented.

Elected leader

Asunción: The presidents of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Peru and Uruguay gathered here to watch Juan Carlos Wasmosy, 54, one of Paraguay's richest men, become the first freely-elected civilian president in his country's 182-year history. *(Reuter)*

Jordan arrests

New York: Two teenagers, both 18, were charged with murdering the father of Michael Jordan, the basketball star, in a highway robbery. The arrests ended speculation that James Jordan's death was related to a ransom attempt or his son's alleged gambling.

Curfew lifted

Kigali: The curfew in the Rwandan capital was lifted at the weekend as the central African country prepared for peace after nearly three years of civil war. The cabinet ordered roadblocks to be lifted from all but three northern provinces. *(Reuter)*

One-sided unity

Freedom Bridge: As church bells rang and choirs sang, more than 55,000 South Koreans joined in a 30-mile human chain symbolising reunification with their long-time rival North Korea. North Koreans did not take part. *(AP)*

By gum, it's old

Stockholm: Archaeologists have found chewing gum, with teeth marks, believed to be 9,000-years-old, *Expressen* said. The gum was made from a resin sweetened with honey and was discovered outside Ellos in western Sweden. *(AP)*

Tokyo sympathy for war victims

FROM REUTER IN TOKYO

IN A ceremony marking Japan's wartime defeat in 1945, Morihiro Hosokawa yesterday became the country's first prime minister to express sympathy to victims of Japanese militarism.

"I would like to take this opportunity to express deep condolences to victims of the war and their relatives in neighbouring countries in Asia and those around the world," Mr Hosokawa told about 7,200 veterans and relatives of Japan's war dead at Tokyo's Martial Arts Hall.

NHK public television, which broadcast live speeches by Mr Hosokawa, Emperor Akihito and Takako Doi, the Speaker in the lower house, said it was the first time a Japanese prime minister had paid respect to war victims in neighbouring Asian countries in an address at the annual war memorial service.

Mr Hosokawa, who took office this month after 38 years of rule by the conservative Liberal Democratic Party, is the grandson of Fumimaro Konoe, during whose 18-month term as prime minister Japan invaded China in 1937.

Last week Mr Hosokawa made the clearest admission by a Japanese leader that Japan's conflict with the allies in the second world war was an "aggressive war". Mr Hosokawa has said his coalition government is considering ways of extending a comprehensive apology for the war to Japan's Asian neighbours and other countries that suffered during the war.

Ms Doi, former chairman of the Socialist Party and the first woman Speaker in the lower chamber, said Japan had achieved remarkable economic growth since the war and gained important status in the international community. She said, however, that the issue of reconciliation with Japan's neighbours was unsolved.

In a shift from previous administrations, only four ministers of the coalition cabinet went to the Yasakuni shrine yesterday, where 2.6 million Japanese who died in military service are honoured, Kyodo reported. Last year, 15 cabinet ministers visited the shrine in Tokyo.

☐ **Poison dumped:** The Japanese army dumped tens of thousands of poison gas bombs into the western Japan sea soon after the war, it was reported by Kyodo. *(AFP)*

Islanders cold-shoulder White House refugees

FROM BEN MACINTYRE ON MARTHA'S VINEYARD

THE tranquillity of Martha's Vineyard, a summertime haven of sand, seagulls and celebrities, has been shattered by the announcement that President Clinton and his family are planning to spend a ten-day holiday here, starting on Thursday.

Secret service agents can already be seen peeping out of the undergrowth surrounding the house belonging to Robert McNamara, former secretary of defence, where the Clintons plan to spend the vacation.

Mr Clinton's decision to spend his summer holiday here, like many of his decisions, did not come quickly. For a time it even seemed the workaholic president might not take a holiday at all, but finally he settled on Martha's Vineyard, at the height of the tourist season, when the island's accommodation is already full to bursting with 80,000 people.

Martha's Vineyard, off the coast of Massachusetts, tends to vote Democratic, but the inclinations of those who spend their summers here are decidedly conservative. The president's visit has become the only subject of conversation on the beach, and the tone is hardly welcoming.



Adams: stopped off at the island in 1760

"I didn't come here to be followed by Washington," said one large man, clearly in the early and painful stages of the tanning process. "Why doesn't Clinton stay away? I'd like to shoot him."

The problem is that President Clinton is the first homeless president for many years. He has no residence other than the White House, although he has toyed with the idea of buying a property in Arkansas. Unlike his predecessors, he has no Santa Barbara, no Kennebunkport, no Hyannis Port. Wherever he lays his golf clubs, that is his home.

Martha's Vineyard has seldom been favoured by presidential visits in the past. John Adams, later America's second president, stopped off in 1760 and Presidents Roosevelt and Nixon both came ashore, briefly, at Edgartown docks. President Kennedy came here in August 1961, but the Kennedys have tended to avoid the island since the unpleasantness involving Senator Edward at Chappaquiddick, on the east side of the island.

The inhabitants of Martha's Vineyard are now divided between the shopkeepers and hoteliers who hope President Clinton will make this his holiday home, thus bringing in several million extra dollars, and the established Vineyarders who rather wish the president had bought that house in Arkansas.

Arab ports shun cargo for Iran

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

A CHINESE cargo ship accused by Washington of carrying banned chemical weapons additives for Iran marked time on the edge of the Gulf last night, shunned by Arab ports and watched by the US Navy.

Shipping sources said the position of the *Yinhe*, which entered the region more than a week ago with a cargo of Iran-bound containers, was not immediately known although it was believed to be in Iranian territorial waters.

Officials in Peking said that the ship would anchor off Oman to take on fresh supplies of fuel and water but one shipping source said the Chinese had made no formal approach to the sultanate. "Oman has not been approached for permission to allow the ship to ancho," a shipping executive in the sultanate said.

Shipping sources in the United Arab Emirates said the ship, which was denied the right last week to unload its cargo in one of Dubai's ports, would not be allowed to anchor off the UAE. "Supply companies are being closely watched to make sure they do not provide the *Yinhe* with services from UAE ports," a shipping source in the Gulf of Oman port of Fujairah, just outside the Strait of Hormuz, said.

Washington says the *Yinhe* is attempting to transport banned parts for chemical weapons to Iran. It has been tracking the ship and has vowed to inspect its cargo. Peking says the containers contain only paper goods, hardware and machine parts and it has accused Washington of acting like "a self-anointed international policeman". It was not clear why the ship did not dock directly in an Iranian port. One source said the ship "is closer to Iran than it is to the UAE".

☐ **Washington:** American intelligence missed most of Iraq's nuclear bomb-building efforts before the Gulf war because its efforts were concentrated on missing in action cases from the Vietnam war, a congressional report says. The report, issued yesterday by the House of Representatives armed services committee, found 20 times more defence intelligence agency personnel assigned to the Vietnam cases than intelligence on Iraq. *(Reuter)*

Waxworks not worth the candle

Why allow a few wrinkles to come between history and show business?

NICE to see Elizabeth Taylor back, radiant and immobile in the halls of Madame Tussaud's. It is 20 years since her last effigy — the Cleopatra version — was unceremoniously carted off for recycling, and the head sent to join thousands of other retired lumps of wax in the Tussaud warehouse near Windsor. The waxworks says it decided to bring her back because she *has a new identity in Aids* fundraising, and "is looking after herself physically".

I bridled at this last observation. Surely waxworks are all the more interesting when the subjects are a bit wrinkly, bulgy or blotched by time? I always get a rather a pleasant *frisson* during my occasional mooches round Madame Tussaud's, in knowing that Kylie Minogue's stick-insect arms or Wogan's comfy gut have been intimately measured in private and reproduced by modelmakers of *ruthless integrity. I* would hate to suspect them of idleness: if a woman of 61 is "looking after herself physically" in the Liz Taylor or Joan Collins sense, *she is virtually a* waxwork anyway, and must make a modeller's job much easier. Who wants to spend hours with a spatula and wrinkle-chart doing Mother Teresa when they could blodge together a smooth, facelifted *film star in half the time?*



LIBBY PURVES

Even in the TV age, Tussaud's should beware of going for smooth faces rather than lived-in ones. They should remember how their great founder started out as young Marie Grosholtz in the Paris Terror of 1793, nipping out at the end of the guillotining day to riffle through the severed heads for interesting personalities. She was sent round to Marat's house after Charlotte Corday stabbed the diseased little man in his medicinal bath, and faithfully reproduced every scab. She hung about the Madeleine cemetery to do Robespierre, and had the handling of the Princesse de Lamballe's head.

Anyone who visits the historical sections of Madame Tussaud's to see the heads made from her own ancient moulds will recognise that she did not romanticise or flatter, as some celebrities' modellers visibly do today. Marie Tussaud's waxworks are people who might speak to you at any moment: startling, imperfect, compelling waxen faces, paradoxically looking less like upright corpses than the gathering of living celebs in the "Garden Party" exhibit. They are pre-television faces, they are real, they shout their grievances at you over two hundred years: this is the odd little sculptress's great gift to history.

But the return of Liz Taylor did at least remind me of one of the most salutary half-hours I ever spent. It was the *off-season at the waxworks*, and I found myself alone with its bicentenary display of discarded heads from the past. This, believe me, is the cruellest show in town. Deprived of their bodies and jumbled on shelves lie Kevin Keegan and Zsa Zsa Gabor, H.G. Wells and Nureyev, Lord Byron, Hugh Gaitskell and Charlton Heston. Also Cilla Black and David Frost — sorry, David. They are not cheerful heads: with yellowing whiskers or blurred smirks, they seem to realise that they are no longer worth the entry fee. They are has-beens and had-its, alive and dead: Gladstone and Mao Tse-tung, Bjorn Borg and Haile Selassie and the Duchess of Kent.

Anybody whose job puts them at risk of getting hooked on fame should go and have a look. Any temporary holder of such a title as TV'S Mr Sexy, or Wild Child Pop Sensation (or Prime Minister of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, come to that) would do well to pay those sullen deadheads a call, and come out smiling a drier, saner smile than before. Your notoriety too will be guillotined one day, and your name become dull and passé. *Memento bori.*

But I speak from low cunning, really. Once they have realised this, the famous might decide to be more co-operative to us poor hacks. Come on, celebs! Make hay while the sun shines! Go on all the chat shows, be free with your quotes, for tomorrow nobody will care! Are you a supermodel, convicted society procuress, royal relative, show-off tycoon, Nobel prize-winner, fashionable actor, long-suffering wife of a loony politician, TV newsreader? Step up, don't be shy, don't ration yourself! Tell us your tastes in literature, lingerie, lasagne! Recall your childhood! Run us through your exercise routine, *show us your kitchen!* Next week you could be up there with Haile Selassie and Cilla Black — on the shelf.

THE SECOND EXTRACT IN A TWO-WEEK SERIALISATION OF SUE TOWNSEND'S THE WILDERNESS YEARS

Mole and the naked landlady

Pandora spoke to me today. She said, "I want you to leave. You stultify me. We had a childhood romance, but we are both adults now: we have grown in different directions and the time has come to part."

I went to bed shattered. Read page 677 of *War and Peace*, then lay awake staring into the darkness.

Monday February 15th
I looked into the newsagents on my way to work. I saw the following advertisement.

"Large sunny flat to let — in family house. Fire sign preferred. Use of W machine/dryer. £75pw inclusive to N/S male professional. Ring Mrs Hedge."

I went to see Mrs Hedge at 7pm and inspected the room. "It's not very sunny," I said.

She said, "No, but would you expect it to be on an evening in February?"

I like the cut of her jib. She is oldish (35 to 37, I would guess), but has not got a bad figure, although it's hard to tell with the clothes women wear nowadays.

She invited me to test the bed. I did so and had a sudden vision of myself and Mrs Hedge engaging in vigorous sexual intercourse. I said aloud, "I'm sorry".

Naturally Mrs Hedge was completely in the dark as to the reason for my apology and said, "'Sorry? Does that mean you don't like the bed?"

"No, no," I gibbered. "I love you; I mean, I love the bed."

I was concerned that I hadn't made a good impression, so I rang Mrs Hedge when I got home (in an effort to impress her) and informed her that I was a writer; would the sound of typing in the small hours bother her? "Not at all," she replied. "I am visited by the Muse myself in the night occasionally."

Wednesday February 27th
Yesterday evening I informed Pandora that I am moving out of the flat at the weekend. I had hoped that she would fall on my neck and beg me to stay, but she didn't. At 1am I was woken by the sound of a champagne cork popping, glasses clinking and wild, unrestrained laughter from Pandora, Cavendish and Julian. The Infernal Triangle.

Friday March 1st
Took the portable TV back to the shop. On my return, I wrote a poem to Pandora and slipped it under her door. It was my last ditch attempt to seduce her away from Cavendish.

Pandora! Let Me! by A.Mole

Let me stroke your inner thighs
Let me hear your breathy sighs
Let me feel your silky skin
Let me make your senses spin
Let me touch your soft white breast
Let us stop and have a rest.
Let me join our beating hearts
Let me forge our private parts
Let me delve and make you mine
Let me give you food and wine
Let me lick you with my tongue
Let me do whatever's wrong
Let me watch you take your pleasure
Let me dress you in black leather
Let me fit you like a glove
Let me consummate our love.

At 1am Pandora pushed a note under my door.
Adrian. If you continue to send such filth to me, I will, in future, pass it on to the police. — Pandora

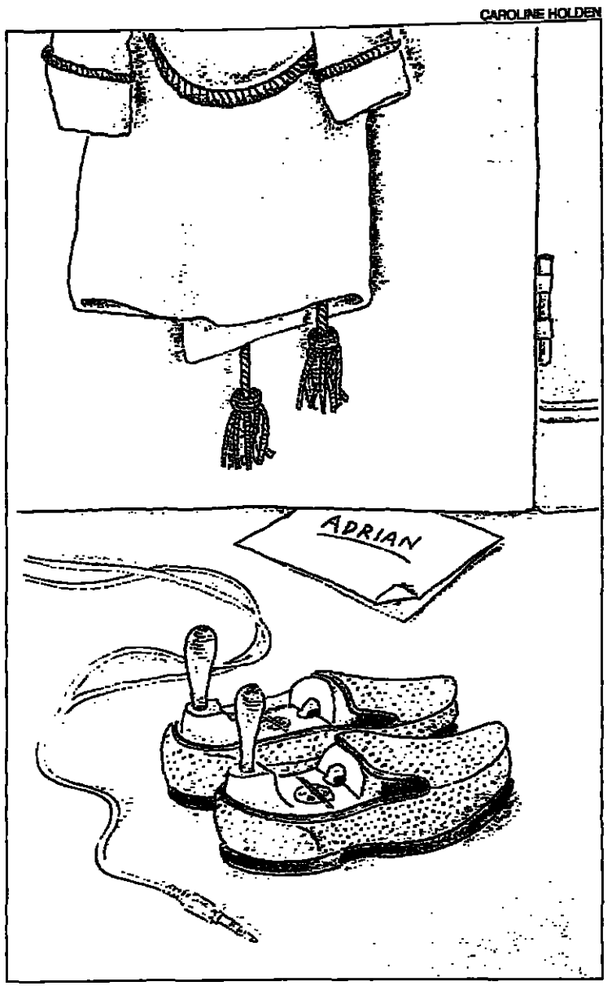
Saturday March 2nd
As I packed my belongings, I reflected that I have not acquired much to show for a year and a half of toil at the DoE. True, I have got £2,579 saved in the Market Harborough Building Society, and £197.39 in Nat West, but even so.
11pm. Too tired to write much, just to put it on the record that I am lying in Mrs Hedge's bed. It is very comfortable.

Sunday March 3rd
I didn't know where I was when I woke up, then I remembered. I smelt bacon cooking, but I didn't go downstairs. I felt like an intruder. I got up, tiptoed to the bathroom, got dressed, made my bed, then sat on the bed listening to sounds from below. Eventually, driven by hunger, I went downstairs. Mrs Hedge was not there. The breakfast plates were still on the kitchen table. The pedal bin was overflowing with eggshells on the floor. The cupboard under the sink was full of filthy yellow dusters. The fridge was full of saucers containing mouldy leftovers. The grill pan was unwashed.

It is as I feared: Mrs Hedge is a slut.

I was mopping the kitchen floor when Mrs Hedge returned. She was carrying four tins of Carlsberg. I went up to my room to work on my novel, *Lo! The Flat Hills of My Homeland.*

CAROLINE HOLDEN



When I next went downstairs, there was no sign of Mrs Hedge. I was pleased to see three tins of Carlsberg still left in the fridge. She may be a slut and an eccentric, but, thank God, she is not yet an alcoholic.

Monday March 4th
Mrs Hedge was still in bed when I got back from work. The kitchen was a disgrace. The Carlsberg was gone. She must have drunk them in bed! It is the only conclusion.

Thursday March 7th
I walked into the bathroom tonight without knocking. Mrs Hedge was in the bath, shaving her legs. I will buy a bolt for the door tomorrow. I'd guess she is at least 38C.

Saturday March 9th
There was a stranger in the kitchen when I came down. He was eating Marmite on toast. He said, "Hi, I'm Gerry". I smiled and said, "Good morning. I'm Adrian Mole."

That was the extent of our social intercourse. I found it difficult to initiate a conversation with a man wearing a woman's negligée and nothing else.

I made myself a cup of tea and left.

Saturday March 16th
Called round to Pandora's flat for my letters. Nothing of interest.

The cat looked thin, but was pleased to see me. I gave it a whole tin of Go Cat. Pandora was out, so I had a good look around the flat. Her underwear drawer is full of disgusting sex aids.

Tuesday March 19th
A letter from Pandora.

Adrian,
I have asked you many times to return the front door key to this flat. You have not yet done so. I'm afraid I must give you an ultimatum. Either the key is in my possession by 7pm tonight, or I call out a locksmith, have the lock changed and send the bill to you. The choice is yours. I will no longer tolerate you:
a) interfering in the cat's feeding pattern
b) snooping in my underwear drawer, or
c) helping yourself to food from the refrigerator when I am not there.

At 6.59pm, I pushed an envelope containing the key, a ten pence piece and a terse note under the door of Pandora's flat. The note said:

Pandora,
a) In my opinion, the cat is too thin and appears to be lacking in energy;
b) I vividly remember you saying that "Suspenders, etc. are symbols of women's enslavement to men's lust". Ditto vibrators;
c) The pot of crab paste in the refrigerator was *mine*. I purchased it on February 20 this year. I have the receipt to prove it. I admit that I did help myself to a slice of bread. I enclose, as you cannot fail to see, a ten pence coin, as remuneration for the slice of granary.

Monday March 25th
Gerry is now a fixture. I am like a cuckoo in the nest. A gooseberry in the strawberry patch. A piranha in the goldfish bowl. Conversation stops when I enter the kitchen or sitting room and they are there.

Mrs Hedge asked me if she should marry Gerry, sell up and move to Cardiff. I advised against it. I have only just settled in, found out how to work the grill pan, etc. I can't face looking for alternative accommodation.

● Adrian Mole: The Wilderness Years *will be published by Methuen London on August 31 (£8.99).*

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TOMORROW

'If I lose my job I am done for. But *who* delivered my resignation letter and *why*?' Adrian Mole's work crisis aged 23¾

The winning personality

The vast chess archive reveals not just the moves but the character of matches, writes **Daniel Johnson**

Chess has a history. Because chess games can be written down, the evolution of the game itself, not merely its rules, can be traced. Indeed, one of its distinguishing characteristics is that chess at its highest level actually requires historical awareness: to be a strong player, one must assimilate many master games, opening and endgame techniques, and other lore.

We know exactly the kind of chess played by Karl Marx (speculative and optimistic), Bonar Law (conservative and *unobtrusive) and Marcel Du*champ (artistic but not surrealist). Indeed, we have the moves of almost all important chess games since the early Victorian era, and many that are very much older.

Hence the world chess champions, the chess immortals, can be directly compared. When *The Times* World Chess Championship match begins at the Savoy Theatre on September 7, Garry Kasparov and Nigel Short know that, whatever the outcome, their place in the chess pantheon is already secure. Their moves will be replayed countless times in the years to come, and arguments will rage about whether this match produced better chess than other famous encounters.

Most of the world champions have been colourful figures. There is no doubt that in the 18th century the French composer André Danican Philidor was by far the best chess player in the world. In the early 19th century Alexandre Deschapelles dominated the chess scene (he also excelled in whist).

Then in 1843 Howard Staunton conquered chess supremacy from France for England, and London remained Europe's chess capital for several decades. The first chess tournament was held there in 1851, and was won by the previously unknown Adolf Anderssen, a German teacher of mathematics from Breslau. He remained supreme until a young genius from New Orleans, Paul Morphy, arrived in Europe in 1858 and beat all comers. Morphy, the first American to become the best in the world in any sphere, became a living legend.

After Morphy's abrupt return to America in 1859, after which he played no more serious chess, there was no clear *primus inter pares* until 1866, when a young Viennese Jew, Wilhelm Steinitz, defeated Anderssen by brilliant tactical play; he played even on the day his daughter was born. In order to maintain his edge over Anderssen's pupil Johannes Zukertort and other young masters such as Joseph Henry Blackburne, Steinitz developed an entirely new style of "positional play" during the 1870s. After coming second to Zukertort in the great London tournament of 1883, Steinitz emigrated to America. There, in 1886, Steinitz defeated Zukertort decisively, and was generally recognised as the world champion.

Steinitz, a diminutive and pugnacious man, had made himself the first in a distinguished line, but he was unable to enjoy his glory for long. After fighting off challenges from the Russian Mikhail Chigorin and the adoptive Englishman Isidor Gunsberg, Steinitz crashed to defeat in 1894 at the age of 59 against a man less than half his age: Emanuel Lasker.





Marx (top): optimistic
Bonar Law: unobtrusive

Lasker was the greatest disciple of Steinitz, the gifted son of a rabbinical family who wrote philosophical treatises and mathematical papers at the same time as *pursuing his chess career. No* world champion, before or since, has brought to chess such breadth of mind or such ruthless opportunism at the board. Lasker held the title for 27 years, a record that is unlikely ever to be equalled, and his greatness was demonstrated by numerous tournament and match victories. Lasker wrote memorably about "common sense in chess", but his own achievements depended on something more than that: an almost mystical belief in the efficacy of cerebral conflict to produce the ideal solution to any problem.

Lasker triumphed at the St Petersburg tourney in 1914 over the rising stars, such as the Polish titan Akiba Rubinstein and the young Cuban genius José Raul Capablanca. *The war prevented a match* between the chief representatives of the two generations.

As the 13th official world champion, Kasparov is more conscious of his dignity than most of his post-war predecessors, all but one of whom (Bobby Fischer) were Soviet. Kasparov regards the title as his right, as a personal achievement earned by a life time's effort, not as a privilege accorded to him.

The world championship was always regarded in this light from its inception in 1886, until Alexander Alekhine died while still champion in 1946. Two of the other two former champions, Lasker and Capablanca, had died during the war, so the title temporarily reverted to the only surviving ex-champion, Max Euwe. There was a hiatus of two years before the world chess federation, Fide, organised a match-tournament of the five best players split between the Hague and Moscow, from which the Russian Mikhail Botvinnik emerged as the victor, thus becoming the new world champion.

Thenceforth the world championship was administered by Fide, which decided all the rules governing the qualification of challengers, as well as the details of championship matches themselves. Fide's rulings have often changed the course of chess history. For instance, from 1948 to 1963, and again after 1984, the titleholder was granted the right to a return match, thereby obliging the challenger *to win two matches.*

Another crucial change ordained by Fide was in the length of matches: from 1948-1972, it was the best of 24 games; in 1975 this was changed to the first to win six games, with no limit on the *total length of the match: but* in 1985 Fide reverted to the fixed 24-game match.

On three occasions, two of them since Florencio Campomanes took over the presidency of Fide in 1982, the federation has directly intervened in the world championship. The first was in 1975, when Bobby Fischer was stripped of the title for refusing to play Anatoly Karpov except on his own terms. Then in 1985 Campomanes stopped the first Karpov-Kasparov match on "health" grounds when it was still undecided after a marathon of 45 games.

In 1993 Kasparov and Short were stripped of their Fide status by Campomanes as a punishment for refusing to accept the venue and conditions laid down by Fide. In view of this frequent interference, it is perhaps not surprising that Kasparov and Short have declared unilateral independence by organising their title match under the auspices of the new Professional Chess Association.

By doing so, they are in a sense reverting to the system which prevailed before 1946, with one important difference. In those days the world champion himself would decide whether or not to accept a challenge, and there were no formal criteria for deciding who was best qualified. The new PCA championship, however, will have a qualifying tournament to produce a challenger. For the foreseeable future, there will be two rival world championship cycles.

THE TIMES WORLD CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

● The Times World Chess Championship, between Garry Kasparov and Nigel Short, begins at the Savoy Theatre, London, on September 7. Tickets cost £45 to £150 from First Call (071-497 9977).

TRAMPLED TO PIECES BY KINGS AND QUEENS

CHESS is called the royal game; it was invented, says the myth, to please an Indian king; and practically every king, queen, emperor, maharajah, shah and tsar you've heard of played it.

The great Mogul emperor Akbar played on a giant board (it still exists, at Fatehpur Sikri) with elephants as pieces, horses as pawns; and Shah Jehan (who built the Taj Mahal) played living chess with 32 virgins as pieces. King Muley Hassan of Morocco's contribution to brighter chess was to use prisoners from the royal dungeons. Captured pieces were beheaded on the spot.

Most of the kings and queens of England played chess. Richard the Lionheart is reputed to have been taught by his great enemy Saladin while in captivity. Henry VIII was playing chess with Anne Boleyn when the news of Thomas More's execution arrived. Victoria was perhaps the most addicted of all British monarchs. In her youth she played a two-game match (the match of four queens) against Queen Louise of the Belgians (1837). For the first game she sought the advice of two prime ministers: Lords Palmerston and Melbourne. She lost, then dispensed with their help for the second game and won.

● *Extracted from* The Even More Complete Chess Addict *by Mike Foxx and Richard James (Faber).*

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		£25,000+	6.80	5.10
	(Income)	£5,000+	6.50	4.88
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Maximiser Vintage Bond Issues 1 & 2		£5,000+	7.00	5.25
		£25,000+	7.60	5.70
	(Income)	£5,000+	6.80	5.10
		£25,000+	7.35	5.51
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		£25,000+	5.70	4.28

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Children are making statements about the way they dress before they can pronounce designers' names

Dedicated toddlers of fashion







Fashion

IAIN R. WEBB

Children who are interested in fashion seem, like policemen, to be getting younger and younger. It was not so long ago that children eagerly awaited their thirteenth birthdays, in the knowledge that as teenagers, they just might be allowed to have at least some say in what they wore. Today tiny tots are making fashion statements long before they can string a sentence together.

Youngsters now sing along in the playground to the latest pop songs, knowing all the words, in much the same way as they might once have chanted nursery rhymes together. This gives some indication of where they are acquiring their understanding of all things stylish.

The pop world is full of flamboyant dressers who romp — ablaze with colour and craziness — across the television screen, specifically targeting children. Their clothes are bright and baggy, and just as throwaway as many of the songs they sing.

Ideal for children, whose attention span is sometimes almost non-existent.

Even more telling, perhaps, is the obvious delight many parents get from dressing their offspring in the latest fashions. Suddenly, children appear to be a *de rigueur* accessory, nestled in the arms of the thirtysomething style-obsessed generation, where once a Prada bag might have been cradled.

The baby boomers now have the chance to dress their own babies in the styles, and labels, they themselves prize. When the fashion designer, John Richmond, became a father, he dressed his first-born, Harley D., in a leather jacket, a minute but otherwise exact replica of one his own successful designs.

On the photo session for today's page, the fashion designer Helen Storey perused the rail of clothes with her son, Luke. When one particular garment was proffered for Luke to wear, she politely suggested that "it's not really his style". Luke is seven and a half years old.

The childrenswear market has indeed exploded. The choice of clothes is greater than ever, and even in these recessionary times, the market appears very much to favour the retailers. People may be less keen to spend their hard-earned money on clothes for their own wardrobe, but given the chance to buy something cute for their children, they come over all dewy-eyed and happily hand over the cash — a lot of cash.

The trend in children's clothes is towards the traditional, a post-modern mix of the Ovalteenies and Hovis children: hardier fabrics such as wool plaids, fleecy sweatshirting, sturdy PVC and chunky knits, cut into simple shapes that are roomy and easy to pull on and off, even in mid-tantrum. Colours are more muted, less likely to show the dirt.

This is the direction childrenswear is now taking. However, getting today's opinionated, fashion-conscious youngsters to wear anything they do not want to wear is another story.

ABOVE: Rory, two, wears grey wool jumper, £29.99, IKKS, Harrods. Navy cap, £7.99, Next, branches nationwide

TOP LEFT: Luke, 7½, wears: Black vinyl jacket, £45. Grey brushed-cotton trousers, £19.50, Mini Capellino, Ally Capellino, 95 Wardour Street, W1 (enquiries: 071-488 9777). Shirt with jersey sleeves and hood, £16.99, Jeffrey Rogers, Owen Owen, Alders and top department stores

BELOW: Luke wears padded shirt, £14.99 Jeffrey Rogers, as above. Grey T-shirt, £12.99, Next. Grey jersey trousers, £9.75, Mini Capellino, Ally Capellino. Black and white trainers, £23.99, Converse, nationwide



ABOVE: Lucy, aged three, wears check cotton dress, £60, Oilily, 10 Sloane Street, London SW1 (mail order, telephone : 0225 469237); Joanna's Tent, 289b Kings Road, SW6; Buckle My Shoe, Harvey Nichols, Knightsbridge, SW1. White socks, £1.99, Sock Shop, branches nationwide. Red sandals £33, Startrite, Buckle My Shoe, 19 St. Christophers Place, W1, and all leading department stores



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HOTLINE

Joe takes a bite of Bond Street

● JOE'S restaurant bars, part of the Joseph empire and favourite eaterie of the fashion cognoscenti, are expanding. Famished West End shoppers and those in need of an escape from the office will have no further to trek than Fenwick of Bond Street, London W1, where, on the second floor, Joseph has opened his new restaurant bar. The restaurant will be open for breakfast, lunch and tea, and the cuisine will be distinctly Mediterranean and horribly tempting. Open from 9.30am to 6pm, 7.30pm on Thursdays; telephone 071-495-5402 for bookings.

● THIS August bank holiday, London Zoo is to host a fantasy fashion extravaganza as part of a three-day carnival, organised by War Child, a charity to help children affected by war. People are invited to create costumes on the theme of endangered species, which comprises six categories: big cats, reptiles, birds of paradise, sea mammals, insects/amphibians and land mammals. Music from around the world will accompany clowns, magicians, story-tellers and dancers. Imaginative entrants under the age of 16 will judged by celebrities and there will be a prize for the best species. Entrance fee to the zoo is £6 for adults, £4 for children and £5 for students and pensioners.

● FASHION forecasters have noticed an emerging trend, termed chaos, which is a step on from grunge. This prediction, primarily for autumn and winter 94-95, has already manifested itself in form of Destroy fabrics. Purposeful ladders and inside-out seaming are being worn by fashions fans worldwide. Colours, according to the forecast, will be riotous and mismatched, buttons and fastenings offset and disordered. Sounds crazy? Watch carefully as the high-street stores translate chaos into wearable fashions.

● EIGHT out of ten of this year's blockbuster films contain scenes of smoking, with cigarettes all too often depicted as glamorous and necessary props, according to the Health Education Authority (HEA). In an attempt to counter this, and to educate teenagers on the reality of smoking, the HEA has launched an anti-smoking trailer called *Stay Beautiful*, to go with the video version of of the teenage film, *Singles*, staring the teen idols Matt Dillon and Bridget Fonda. The authority wants to work with the film industry in order to show more realistic images of smoking and its damaging consequences.

RACHEL COLLINS

Matthew Parris



■ Cubans' open — and enthusiastic — attitude to sex comes as a shock to the naive English traveller

I jumped into the waiting taxi. Better not to walk: it was late and I was uncertain how to get from new to old Havana. My friends were 25 floors up, dancing on the roof garden of the Havana Libre Hotel, samba-ing away the last night of our Cuban adventure. But I don't dance. I was weary. I shut the car door.

Leaning forward across the plastic bench seat of the battered Nissan and fumbling for the Spanish to describe my destination, I was startled by the sound of the passenger door being thrown open again. A woman climbed in, slid up beside me and beckoned to a second woman. She joined us. They shut the door. My new friend grinned: "Where are we going?" she said, in Spanish.

"Nowhere," I said, struggling with the language. "I am going to my hotel. Goodnight."

"We'll come too."

"Both of you?"

"You are young, señor."

I looked at her. She had light olive skin and fairish hair, as a number of Cubans do. She was slim and muscular: sinuous rather than soft: firm-breasted, confident and full of poise. She was dressed simply — chic, as for a smart, informal supper, not like a prostitute at all. I guessed that she was in her late twenties. She gave me a brown-eyed, laughing smile, full of mischief and knowing. What grace she had! She was stunning.

"Anyway," I said, "I don't want a woman."

"*How* can you say that?" she said, in mock reproof. "You do not know me yet!" Her friend giggled. I felt I had been ungallant.

"I have been travelling all day. I am very tired."

She shot a wicked glance. "With me you will not be tired. Five minutes with me and you will revive. Love is the best thing for tiredness." She snuggled a little closer, turning to look me straight in the eye, her own gaze fixed until mine flinched. Her eyes were still laughing. Her friend leaned across and stroked my knee, delicately. "No," I said, "not tonight."

"Why?" The question was asked with gentle concern, designed more to console that importune. I liked her. I liked her spirit. This was no fallen woman. I did not want to belittle her. My Spanish, poor at best, was just about adequate to the occasion. "You," I said haltingly, "are the most beautiful woman I have seen today. So when I say that tonight I prefer solitude, you must know that I am sincere."

For a moment she looked really pleased. Then she kissed me on the forehead, squeezed my arm, and with her friend departed into the night.

It does all come as rather a surprise to the Englishman, this sort of thing. We are so tense about sex. Cubans are baffled by our reserve, placing the subject in a similar category to eating. Why be secretive? They make more — and also less — of it.

A travelling companion who is even more naive than me — let us call him Clive — visited the eastern city of the island, Santiago de Cuba. Pretty fed up by then with Cuban hustlers, of whom there is an abundance tugging at your sleeve and prophesying eternal friendship wherever you go, Clive was interested to meet by chance a chap who spoke a bit of English and was a doctor. Of doctors, too, there is an abundance in Cuba: half the population seem to be in the medical profession. This one was a gynaecologist. "At last," Clive thought, "a professional man with no ulterior motives: a real Cuban." He was delighted when the doctor invited him back for supper with his family, though slightly taken aback when they asked if he could bring some meat to eat.

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The meal was pleasant. After it, a very pretty girl joined them. "My wife's niece," said the doctor. "She want to practise her English with you." This did not seem to be the case, as she hardly spoke, but sat next to Clive, smiled, and then climbed straight on to his knee. Clive took this to be Cuban hospitality. When she began nibbling his earlobe he concluded that she had taken to him mightily and was simply showing it rather faster than an Englishwoman might.

"Rum?" she said to him. He nodded and was surprised when she reacted by taking a swig herself from the bottle. Then she clinched him in a passionate French kiss, transferring the rum from her mouth to his. Clive, who has never drunk rum in this way before, concluded that he had really bowled this woman over and wondered whether he would be too forward if he tried to pursue the affair further that afternoon. The doctor beckoned him into the kitchen.

"You like her?"

"Oh yes!"

"$20."

Clive's illusions crumbled. "No. You do not understand. I sleep with women only for love."

"But she *love* you!"

"No, no, I can't!"

"*Aha!*" *grinned* the gynaecologist (who, Clive said, had the aspect and figure of a toad). "I understand. You think maybe she not clean?" Clive groaned.

"She clean! Clean, clean, clean!" The gynaecologist kissed his fingers and smacked his lips. "I know. I sleep with her. But sshh. You no tell my wife!"

Despite the big differences within it, the Catholic community helps hold modern America together

A fine mix of faith and common sense

A Roman Catholic Mass is one of the few fully integrated social occasions of modern America. Of course, one can find a vaguely white Catholic church in a prosperous suburb or a mainly Catholic Hispanic or black church in particular neighbourhoods, but the average Catholic church has a thoroughly mixed population, young and old, rich and poor, early settlers, blacks, Hispanics and other recent immigrants. This Catholic community is not particularly fashionable or modern. One prays among Italian grandmothers and Vietnamese babies, among students and illegal immigrants, among blacks of all classes, including the black middle class with children in their Sunday best. The Catholic church is probably the least class or race divided of the major American denominations, and is one of the unifying influences of the modern United States. Maintenance of that unity has been one of the Pope's main concerns on his visit to Denver.

There are said to be 59 million Roman Catholics in the United States, which would make them just less than a quarter of the population. In the proposed North American Free Trade Area (NAFTA), which consists of the United States, Canada and Mexico, the Catholic population amounts to about 150 million out of a total of about 360 million, or rather more than 40 per cent. Because the Mexican birthrate is far higher than the American or the Canadian, Catholic births probably amount to more than 60 per cent in that area. The whole Catholic community is therefore much the largest North American religious group: it contains about a sixth of the world's Catholics.

The Pope's visit to Denver has primarily been concerned with the young of this community. He did not go to talk to theologians, let alone journalists, but on a pastoral mission to the United States. He went to pray with the Americans and for them. He has been received with immense enthusiasm, in this spirit of prayer. This very large Catholic community may not practise its religion as Vatican teaching would demand — what Catholic community ever has? — but its loyalty to the church and to the Pope personally is very strong. The loyalty to the Catholic church which unites it is much more powerful than the differences inside it, important though some of them are.

The American press has emphasised the intellectual and moral differences which divide this community and the opposition to some parts of the teaching of the Pope. But loyalty is not primarily an intellectual or even a doctrinal matter. These are questions about sex and authority. Much more important is the question of community. The American Catholic church is still dominated by the immigrant groups of the 19th and early 20th century, by the Irish, the Poles, the Italians. Only recently have Hispanics been appointed in significant numbers to senior positions. Yet immigration and a higher birthrate make the increasing Hispanicisation of the American church inevitable. The NAFTA proposal implies that North America will increasingly operate as a single economic unit. At least two-thirds of the Catholics in NAFTA are of Hispanic descent, and a growing proportion in the United States itself.

Pope John Paul II is very conscious of the relationship between religion and culture, and has made the study of culture in its broadest sense one of the themes of his papacy. He faces two very different cultures in the United States, and has to relate the church to both. The old Catholic church is strongly American, has been much influenced by the Protestant and secular tradition of the United States, and has many of the virtues and faults of the European culture from which it springs. The

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Hispanic culture is largely one of poverty, is probably more spiritual and certainly more superstitious, and is based on a different relationship between men and women. The two cultures are different in their characteristics, in their language and in their stage of historic development. Yet unless the Mexican border is sealed — and this is quite unthinkable — the Catholic church in the United States is destined to become an Hispanic church.

In some ways there is a parallel between the Hispanic attitude to the authority of the Pope and the Latin attitude to the authority of the EC. Hispanics are not Protestants — even quasi-Protestants — and they are prepared to accept formal authority without loss of self-esteem. But equally, they do not have the Protestant conscience, and therefore they feel little guilt in disobeying the authority which they accept. The culture of the United States, from the foundation of New England, through the Declaration of Independence to the equal rights campaigns of blacks and women, has been largely inspired by Protestant individualism. For better and worse, the old Roman Catholic community has been greatly influenced by this American culture. The Hispanic community has been much less influenced.

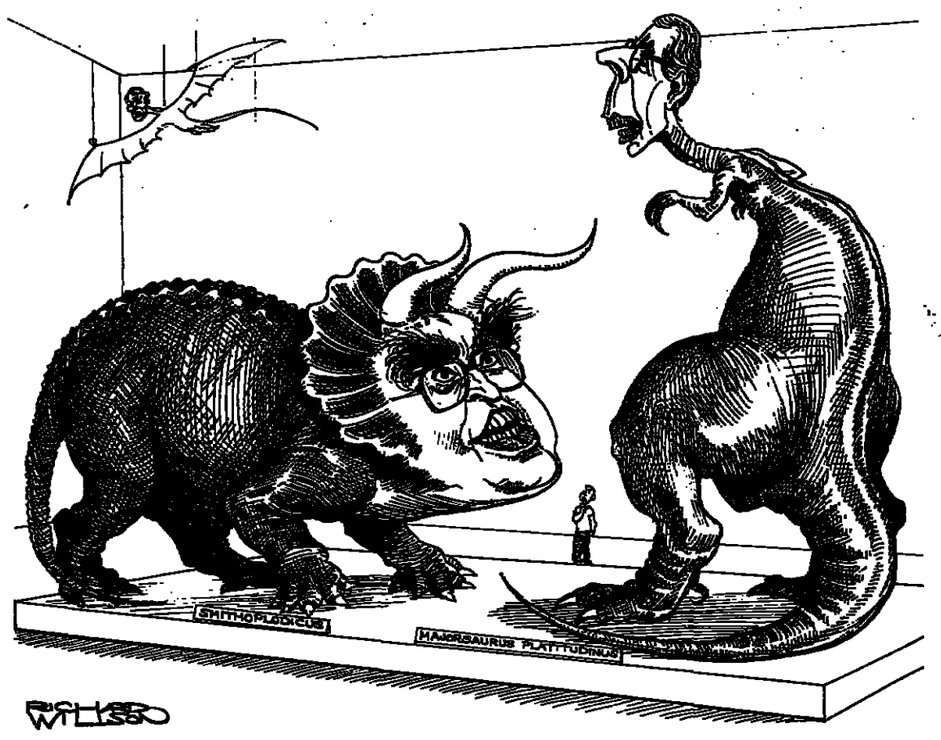
The division between the two Catholic cultures is accompanied by a division between the liberal and conservative wings of the old Catholic church, the church of St Patrick's Cathedral and Notre Dame. The liberals share the "politically correct" views which are dominant in American universities, want both married and women priests, support contraception strongly and are in some cases sympathetic to abortion. The conservatives share much of the agenda of the "moral majority", a mainly Protestant group which supported President Reagan and "family values". The conservatives accept fully the authority of the Pope, are wholly opposed to abortion and in some cases to contraception as well, and mock the excesses of "political correctness". Like most Hispanics, they are critical of the claims of the powerful women's movement.

The ordinary churchgoer does not identify completely with either side, but stands somewhere in the middle, with great loyalty both to the Catholic church and to American culture. Most American Catholics of my acquaintance have been practising contraception for years, without any sense of guilt. They still assume that at some time, the church will come round to their point of view. They think that abortion is gravely evil, but have no desire to press the point in cases of rape or serious illness. They would not be surprised if there were some day to be women priests, but do not feel a great sense of urgency about that. They accept the infallibility of the Pope, but do not stay awake at night worrying about his encyclicals. They love the Catholic church because they see it as the community of their prayers and as the leaky old cruise liner they hope will eventually take them to Heaven. No doubt, they are very irritating to both sides, but this mixture of loyal Catholicism and common sense is entirely normal.

What worries them is not what is happening to the church, but what is happening to America. This is particularly true of my generation: it is also common among young people. They fear a breakdown of America, with families dissolving, crime, guns in the school yard, rape, disease and drugs. To them the strength and consistency of the Pope's message, even when they do not agree with some parts of it, are reassuring. Given a choice between the infallibility of the Pope and the infallibility of *The New York Times*, they chose the Pope. The church still preaches absolute moral standards; their own moral standards may have become relativist at the edges, but that does not mean that they want a relativist Pope. Catholicism plus common sense is how in practice they live their lives. They trust the Pope to supply the Catholicism; they trust themselves to supply the common sense.

Bring new life into politics

Peter Riddell springs to the defence of Westminster



Politics is obsolescent, Martin Jacques wrote recently in *The Sunday Times*. It is, he argued, "like a declining sector of the economy: defensive, conservative, nostalgic, incapable of generating new ideas and practices, attracting fewer and fewer able people". This analysis is so enticing at a time when Westminster politicians are deeply unpopular that it leads Mr Jacques into the trap of dismissing the formal political world of Parliament and parties as increasingly irrelevant.

But that is a dangerous delusion, which in its search for new forms of involvement ("power is located everywhere") ignores the realities of how decisions are taken and policies changed. Talk about politics going cultural is not going to reduce a £50 billion deficit. The rejection of national politics is a peverse return to the Marxist-Leninist belief that the state will eventually wither away.

The assertion that politics is not working has become the creed of the new anti-politicians, whether Ross Perot in America, the new European parties or Paddy Ashdown and other advocates of direct democracy in Britain.

The antics of the main parties at Westminster repel rather than attract. The manoeuvrings over Maastricht damaged not just John Major but the whole political process. That has ensured that the fashionable anti-politics crowd has found unlikely allies in opponents of the Maastricht treaty who advocate a referendum on the grounds that the wishes of the people have been ignored.

Distaste for politicians has also fuelled demands for control over monetary policy to be taken away from ministers and given to an independent central bank. In this case, it is not that politicians are ignoring the will of voters, but that they are paying it too much attention. The remedy is different, taking decisions further away from, rather than closer to, voters. But the effect is the same: to reduce the power of politicians.

The world of Westminster certainly looks stale. The current batch of career politicians is uninspiring. Few have much interesting to say. That is partly the result of a long period of one-party rule. It also reflects a confusing ideological picture. Labour is struggling to redefine itself after the abandonment of many of its previous socialist benchmarks, while the Tories are still in the hangover from the Thatcher era, unsure of their new identity and what Majorism means. The two main parties are no longer thriving. There is no new consensus, even within the main parties. There is little lead from the centre.

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Moreover, partly as a result of Tory initiatives, much of the innovation in the public sector is happening away from the centre — in devolved Next Steps agencies administering large areas of government work, in hospital trusts, in grant-maintained schools, in training and enterprise councils. This is largely ignored at Westminster. Local government is also rebuilding itself after the traumas of the 1980s.

Desirable though such a dispersal of decision-making is, its impact should not be exaggerated. A thousand flowers may be blooming outside the blinkered vision of many MPs and political journalists. But that does not mean that Whitehall and Westminster are irrelevant.

Decisions by ministers, as authorised by majorities in the Commons, have been critical in the past few months alone to the national curriculum and testing in schools, to the future of the railways and to the impact of the new national lottery on football pools.

Neither Parliament nor political parties can be brushed aside as just antiquated institutions. Parties are the dynamo and adhesive force of the system. Without them, representative democracy would be anarchic. Bypassing Parliament and parties in favour of the myriad of outside bodies, whether environmental, charitable, community or cultural, is anti-democratic. However worthy, these are special interests with their own priorities which may, and often do, clash with those of other groups and of the taxpayer. Rule by pressure groups would be much worse than anything now. It is the job of government and Parliament to ensure a balance between these interests.

It is all very well talking about the vitality of local and community groups. That is healthy for our society. But they are no substitute for a revitalisation of our national politics. As a preliminary, that requires the parties to turn outwards, to appeal to ordinary families as well as the zealots. They, the Tories as much as Labour, need to reverse the sharp decline in their memberships if they are to survive financially, let alone as vigorous political bodies. The proposed changes in Labour's links with the unions could, if they work, be the key to its political recovery.

Westminster also needs to look outwards. Its dominance by a small class of lifetime career politicians has been widely noted, and deplored. Most MPs now live in as enclosed a world as, say, the executives of a large multinational company or members of a professional closed shop. There will always be a hard core of career, full-time politicians, the successors to Gladstone, Disraeli, Lloyd George and so on. But most MPs should regard their time in the Commons, perhaps two or three parliaments, as just one part of their careers. That would ensure wider experience and greater freshness.

The real roots of the current disenchantment are, however, the more than 14 years of one-party rule. That has been unhealthy for both the Tories and Labour, producing complacency in the former and frustration in the latter, while accounting for much of the anti-politics mood. Politics is not obsolescent, but politicians will have to reinvigorate themselves and their parties if they are to recapture the support and enthusiasm of voters.

Keep to the right

THEIR elders may be drifting steadily left, but the Young Conservatives, still mourning the political demise of Margaret Thatcher, are sticking steadfastly to the right. To such an extent, it seems, that the YC's traditional Macmillan lecture at the party conference is to be scrapped.

In what will no doubt be a controversial and provocative move, the Macmillan is to be replaced by the Ian Gow Memorial Lecture, in honour of the right-wing MP who was murdered by the IRA in 1990.

So that nobody is left in any doubt as to their intentions, the YCs have invited Michael Portillo, chief secretary to the Treasury and one of the three cabinet "bastards", to make the first Gow lecture. Portillo has agreed and will speak on the welfare state, a subject on which he holds distinctly un-Macmillanlike views.

Andrew Rossendale, chairman of the Young Conservatives, is unrepentant about the snub to Macmillan. "We have put the Macmillan award into retirement. I wanted a change. I felt a personal affinity to the views of Ian Gow."

The decision to scrap the Macmillan lecture, set up in a blaze of publicity in 1984, will outrage many traditional Tories. Last year it was delivered by Kenneth Baker. Sir Edward Heath, who served in Macmillan's government and delivered the lecture in 1991, is said to be furious.

With Baroness Thatcher also invited to attend, the message is clear: "U-turn if you want to, Mr Major, the YCs aren't for turning."

The sexual fringe

SEX with everything is clearly a magic formula for the Edinburgh fringe company Erotica Poetica. Its late-night show, *Sex after Supper*, was a sellout at last year's festival and kicked off its 1993 run with another full house at the Hill Street Theatre on Saturday.

The show's stars are Stephen Oxley and Sandra Clark, whose career has clearly moved on since she worked on *Listen with Mother*. "Actually we met in bed, filming a series for Channel 4," says Oxley. "We were playing a couple discussing their sex life."

The pair appear to have been discussing little else ever since. *Sex after Supper* draws on erotic literature through the ages, with the show's characters provocatively taunting each other with increasingly steamy quotes.

But from the end of the week Oxley hopes the same audience will be flocking to his new one-man show, *Sex in the Afternoon*. "It's about a method actor researching a character involved in some of the seedier sides of sex. But he's also obsessed with *Desert Island Discs* and holds imaginary conversations with Sue Lawley." Doesn't everyone?

● *The normally august grounds of Edinburgh zoo will tomorrow witness a ceremony more suited to the festival fringe, when one of the zoo's king penguins is promoted to the rank of regimental sergeant major in the Norwegian King's Guard. The penguin, Nils Olav, has been sponsored by the regiment since 1972 and, after regular promotions, has become something of a star in Norway. But all is not quite as it seems, as zoo director Professor Roger Wheater admits: the current Nils Olav is "a reincarnation. The first Nils Olav was not a young penguin when they took him on . . ." Just don't tell the Norwegians.*



DIARY

Lenin launched

IT SHOULD have been a historic occasion. The publication yesterday of *The Seeds of Evil*, a new history of Lenin, was to have taken place in the north London church where Lenin and Julius Martov, the leaders of the exiled Russian Social Democratic Labour Party, fell out and went their respective ways.

Because yesterday was also the 90th anniversary of the schism, the publishers, Ferrington, had hoped to launch the book in the Congregational church where the "second congress" was held. But despite a rigorous search, the church could not be traced. Instead, the book was launched at the Lenin Memorial Library in Islington.

The author, Robin Blick, a history lecturer at South Thames College, was stoical. "It was disappointing. We know it was held in the Southgate area of north London and it was a nonconformist church. But we did turn up some interesting vicars."

Playing it safe

WHILE one or two MPs such as the bungee-jumping Barry Field take their lives in their hands during the summer recess, others are applying their minds to rather more artistic matters.

Toby Jessel, Tory MP for Twickenham and a talented amateur pianist, has cut short his French holiday by a week to practise for his first concert with a professional orchestra. He will play Mozart's Piano Concerto No 21 at the final night of the 1993 English Heritage outdoor concerts.

Next month's concert, with the London Mozart Players and an audience of up to 6,000, is on home territory — at Marble Hill on the Thames at Twickenham. But is he nervous? "The largest audience I have played for is 600," he says. "But then I am quite used to public appearances in the House of Commons."





Mystery: Daphne du Maurier, left, and Susan Hill

A killer won't confess

So who has Susan Hill killed off? Her sequel to Daphne du Maurier's *Rebecca*, which will be published in October, begins with a funeral. The question anxious du Maurier fans will want to know is, whose?

According to sources at the publisher, Sinclair-Stevenson, the sequel, *Mrs de Winter*, starts with Max de Winter and his wife rushing back from Europe for the ceremony. Hill begins: "The undertaker's men were like crows, stiff and black, and the cars were black . . . and we, we too were black . . ."

No amount of persuasion, however, will get her to divulge the secret. "Apart from anything else," she says, "I wouldn't want to spoil someone else's pleasure. I remember when I was young reading an Agatha Christie on the train and someone leaning over my shoulder and saying, 'Oh, that's the one where so-and-so did it'. I was devastated."

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PITY IS NOT ENOUGH

The Serbian juggernaut will not be stopped by mercy flights

The quality of mercy is being strained through politics and mass emotion. On the one hand, the airlift named "Operation Irma" delivered its flying ambulance of 21 suffering adults and children from Sarajevo for distribution to hospitals around the country, with more heart-breaking images of the pity of war; on the other, the squabbling between politicians, international bureaucrats and doctors over priority patients for evacuation has further confused the hard issue of Bosnia.

The harrowing pictures, first of Irma Hadzimuratovic, whose life still hangs in the balance at Great Ormond Street, brought into the drawing-rooms of television-viewers and newspaper-readers the realities of the Bosnian civil war, where arcane and endlessly frustrated peace plans and interminable guerrilla warfare have numbed understanding. The consequent wave of emotion was natural and admirable, and one of the defining moments in public reaction to the war. Pent-up frustration, pity and anger demanded that, after so much failure and procrastination, something must be done now. And huge emotion has rapidly bred petty friction over the victims.

The prime minister was reported to be furious that so few children were listed for evacuation, and Baroness Chalker, Minister for Overseas Development, appealed for an end to squabbling. But this did not stop her blaming the "bureaucracy" and "red tape" of the United Nations, and criticising Dr Patrick Peillod, head of the United Nations medical evacuation committee, for not spending enough time in Sarajevo. Dr Peillod's riposte yesterday was to accuse the British government of hijacking the operation in order to pander to public opinion in Britain, and of parading sick and wounded children like "animals in a zoo".

Such fiddling while Sarajevo burns obscures the hard facts. Since the siege began, 12,000 children have been wounded and 1,500 killed, with proportionately many more adults, in a city of 380,000 still at risk. Evacuation of the wounded, chosen by strict criteria of medical, not telegenic, priority, can never be more than a sticking plaster over the gaping wounds of Bosnia. Mass evacuation, starting with wounded children and leading on to refugees, would merely bolster the evil long-term Serbian aim of ethnic cleansing. Quarreling over priorities for evacuation is like applying eye-drops from the top of a skyscraper.

A warm heart is a public as well as a private virtue. But in the harsh world of politics, it is no substitute for a cool head and *sang-froid*. Everyone can cheer for the deliverance of some wounded from Bosnia, and feel better because of it. But the moral dilemma of Bosnia cannot be solved by *angst* and pity alone. By hard politics and cold strategy, the Serbians and other combatants must still be forced to a negotiated settlement. That is the only way to end the need for mercy flights.

ZHU'S BURDEN

The fate of Chinese reforms rests on one man's shoulders

As spectacularly as it began 18 months ago, with Deng Xiaoping's exhortation to his countrymen to get rich in the name of Chinese socialism, China's latest economic boom is foundering. Last week's order from Peking closing down no fewer than 1,000 unauthorised "development zones" in southern China is the latest in a barrage of draconian edicts issued in a matter of weeks by Zhu Rongji, the senior vice-premier.

Since he was appointed governor of the Bank of China and given supreme command over the runaway Chinese economy last month, he has combined standard economic stabilisation techniques with such crude deficit-cutting expedients as forcing workers to buy unsold government bonds. In an economy where the old controls have lost much of their force and market disciplines are wanting, Mr Zhu, the leading advocate of market reforms in the Chinese leadership, is using every coercive trick in the communist locker in the hope of averting a conservative backlash.

This extraordinary concentration of power in one man's hands testifies to the near-panic at the top of the communist party. Huge fortunes have been made in the latest boom, not least by corrupt communist officials and by the army. Uncontrolled development, in an opaque political system which combines lumbering relics of the command economy with a get-rich-quick capitalism in which anything goes, has generated a wave of serious frauds.

Economic growth of 14 per cent has been at the cost of an explosion in China's money supply which has sent the cost of living soaring to over 20 per cent in some cities. In the countryside the peasants are, on Mr Deng's own admission, at "the limits of their endurance". Their incomes are half those of urban dwellers and the gap has widened in the boom. And as hot money poured into real estate speculation and uncontrolled industrial development in new boom towns, agriculture has been starved of investment.

The political stakes may be even higher than the economic. The last time Peking slammed on the brakes, the ensuing hardship brought into the open deep resentments against official corruption and contributed directly to the Tiananmen protests of 1989. With Deng Xiaoping evidently frail and the succession battle in full swing behind the scenes, the leadership can afford another explosion of public discontent even less today. Yet the latest phase of economic liberalisation has eroded the party's control in the provinces.

Mr Zhu, a forceful reformer from Shanghai, has no independent power base in Peking and no friends among the conservatives in the Chinese leadership. But he is the only senior party member with the expertise to attempt a soft landing, and the standing to rein in the provincial bosses. He has moved fast, starting with a 16-point plan to curb credit and control the money supply. Investigation teams have been sent to the provinces to enforce directives.

The political significance of the latest step is that it directly confronts local party bosses, who have been getting rich on land deals and unauthorised "investment incentives". Even more risky is the new plan to cut a third of China's loss-making state enterprises loose on the marketplace by 1995. These enterprises, which employ millions in jobs for life cushioned by free education, health and social services, form China's "iron rice bowl", its revolutionary core. Unless Mr Zhu also tackles corruption at the top, the workers will not take the dismantling of the system lying down.

That, however, implies a political purging that is beyond Mr Zhu's power and, probably, his ambition. He will be vulnerable enough if a soft landing for the economy eludes him. Yet without that, "socialism with Chinese characteristics" is unlikely to be the short cut to the economic super-power status that many Western observers have begun to assume. The Chinese giant is stirring: but its economic weight is still only about a third of Italy's — hardly spectacular for a country of 1.2 billion. The best that can be said is that if China weathers this storm, it will be better placed to gamble on political reforms once Deng Xiaoping goes to meet his Marx.

THE SHALI ARMY

The man chosen to succeed General Powell is good for Europe

In many respects, not least because he learned English from John Wayne films, General John Shalikashvili is unusual. His men call him "General Shali", an inevitable and affectionate contraction of a sesquipedalian Georgian name. He is President Clinton's nominee as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to succeed General Colin Powell. His nomination is expected to sail through the Senate. Polish-born, he will be the first in this post not born in the US. He moves to Washington from his post as supreme allied commander in Europe.

General Shalikashvili is a capital choice. He is both a "thinking soldier" and a "soldier's soldier", so easily mutually exclusive. He will be as comfortable in the National Security Council as he is with "buck privates". From a European perspective, he is a godsend. He speaks Polish and German, and his experience of NATO is vast. He led it at a time of very liquid flux. NATO had (and has) to change. He oversaw military replanning with little political guidance, absorbing German reunification, profound change in former Warsaw pact states and ethnic-national conflict.

He has diplomatic *élan*. He ran "Operation Provide Comfort", after the Gulf War, which established unprecedented safe havens (most memorably in Zakho) for Iraq's traumatised Kurds. In October 1992 he soothed a dismayed Turkey when a US warship accidentally fired on a Turkish one, killing five. He is more conscious than General Powell that orders taken from the civilian establishment must not be questioned publicly. General Powell's position is intriguing. He has never stated that he aspires to public office. Nonetheless, by some estimates, his position is analogous to that of the postwar Eisenhower.

Of greatest import to Europe is that General Shalikashvili brings a new dimension to Bosnia. Unlike General Powell, he is not a dogmatic opponent of airstrikes and US military involvement of low intensity. The latter, nourished on the "pile-on" methods of Panama and Iraq, prefers the massive deployment of high-tech force. General Shalikashvili has, of late, been involved in everything but that kind of warfare. His position on Bosnia, though, must not be exaggerated. Like General Powell, he opposes airstrikes as an end in themselves. He would insist on their subordination, at all times, to a political mode of conflict resolution. He has shown himself, however, to be flexible on the question. This, and his origins, have helped him to establish an equation with Europe's establishment.

President Clinton is to be applauded. (The only criticism is that he has replaced his commander in Europe on the eve of possible military intervention in Bosnia.) General Shalikashvili does not face an easy task. In addition to Bosnia, he has to tackle the size and redefine the goals of his army. A difficult job should not, however, daunt him. His English tutor, John Wayne, was laconic in word and effective in action. "General Shali" could do no better than emulate that.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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How to help more injured in Bosnia

From Mr Kenneth Carlisle, MP for Lincoln (Conservative)

Sir, The heartrending plight of the children wounded in the Yugoslav turmoil is, rightly, evoking great international concern.

Europe's piecemeal, day-to-day response is highly unsatisfactory, provoking unconstructive comparison between countries, a muddled effectiveness and media hysteria. It will not deliver the results we long for; it is an effort which cannot be sustained.

Is it not time for the European Community to act in harmony?

One way to achieve this would be for a Community-backed hospital for sick children to be set up in Italy, a short flight from Sarajevo. Each member of the Community could provide medical staff, medicines, equipment and funds. Living quarters for relatives could be set up nearby.

I believe this is where Britain could provide leadership to the EC and give a sense of unity to the people of Europe that Maastricht has so far failed to give. We could hope to see a coherent, relevant European response to what is an age-old European problem.

Yours faithfully,
KENNETH CARLISLE,
House of Commons.
August 14.

From the Director-General of the British Red Cross

Sir, While "Operation Irma" swings into action to bring wounded children and adults out of Sarajevo, the Red Cross continues to supply life-saving medical supplies to over 220 hospitals and dispensaries all over Bosnia.

Three British Red Cross nurses are playing a crucial role in making sure these supplies get through. Towns and cities whose names are now only sporadically in the media spotlight, such as Bihac, Gorazde, Mostar, Srebrenica and Tuzla, are regularly reached by Red Cross medical convoys with their surgical supplies and equipment, without which many thousands more casualties of the war would die.

In addition to these emergency supplies, the Red Cross is also helping to restore the only psychiatric hospital in Tuzla and to rehabilitate one of the main hospitals in Sarajevo to care specifically for paraplegic victims who at present have no specialist care.

Without this Red Cross supply network, what remains of the medical facilities in Bosnia would be even nearer collapse. Yet it is only with public support that the Red Cross can continue to supply both its desperately-needed medicines and staff.

The British Red Cross "Victims of War" appeal for former Yugoslavia, launched at the end of June, has already raised over £1.5 million. A further £3 million will cover the cost of Red Cross supplies to 220 hospitals in Bosnia for around six months.

Yours,
MIKE WHITLAM,
Director-General,
British Red Cross,
9 Grosvenor Crescent, SW1.
August 13.

From Mrs Peggy Fortuyn

Sir, I am appalled that criticism seems to be levelled at the UN High Commissioner for Refugees because of red tape. I am not detracting from the efforts that have been made; but when in the past has the British government made such an all-out effort, as it has in the case of Irma Hadzimuratovic, for a flight to be organised and expert medical care offered at one of the world's finest children's hospitals?

I venture to suggest it was politically expedient for Mr Major and Mr Hurd to become personally involved; but, whatever the motive, we thank God for it. Let us, however, not blame UNHCR officials for any inefficiency. Their response is surely: "Give us the tools and we will do the job."

Yours faithfully,
PEGGY FORTUYN,
2 Albemarle Park,
Marsh Lane, Stanmore, Middlesex.
August 10.

From Mrs G. J. Young

Sir, In view of the current publicity concerning the plight of Irma Hadzimuratovic and the fact that medical treatment is now being made available for other wounded victims from Bosnia, would it not be a good idea for a national public fund to be launched specifically for contributing towards the cost of such treatment, together with the attendant costs of fares, accommodation for accompanying relatives, etc?

Yours faithfully,
G. J. YOUNG,
Lynwood, Burnt Oak,
Sidbury, Devon.
August 15.

Caravan sites and the countryside

From Professor Emeritus K. M. Barbour

Sir, Congratulations to Simon Jenkins ("Sprawl of immobile homes", August 7) for drawing attention to the ugly spread of caravan sites along England's south coast. I could have wished him to turn his attention to the underlying problem, which is how to make it possible for British citizens to have cheap holidays and second homes in their own country without spoiling the landscape.

The answer, and I have seen successful examples in France, is to insist on camp owners planting quick-growing trees like poplars several years before opening a camp. These serve three purposes: they delimit plots, they provide shade and they convert a blot on the landscape into a pleasant green wood.

Once that has been achieved, caravan sites can be accepted, taxed and appropriately developed, and thus make a proper and reasonable contribution to national life.

Yours faithfully,
K. M. BARBOUR,
43 Francis Gardens, Abbotts Barton,
Winchester, Hampshire.
August 9.

From the National Chairman of the British Holiday & Home Parks Association

Sir, As the body representing the majority of caravan park owners in Great Britain, this association read Mr Jenkins's article with great concern. We regard it as both factually inaccurate and misleading.

Mr Jenkins refers to caravans "often set on concrete bases with water, electricity and sewerage", as not requiring normal planning permission "unless they qualify as permanent structures". That is totally untrue. Unless the park was created before 1948, or unless the use has continued for at least ten years, a planning consent is needed for the use of any land as a caravan site.

A site licence is also needed for the operation of the site — otherwise the user of the land is liable to an enforcement notice from the planning officer and to prosecution by the environmental health officer.

The only exceptions are "certificated" sites (on which up to five touring caravans may be accommodated at a time) or a site run by one of the national clubs, applying only to touring caravans. Mr Jenkins's suggestion that a "temporary summer site" can become "a field of mobile homes" is also misleading. Such a change can take place only with formal planning consent and planning authorities are very sparing with such consents.

Any suggestion of an easy movement ("salami tactics"), in planning terms, from a seasonal touring caravan park to a housing estate is totally false.

It is true that, with certain exceptions, planning authorities cannot prevent the change of style of holiday caravans on permitted holiday parks; but to conclude that somehow this also means that parks can "spread unrestricted through that woodland" is patently absurd. So is Mr Jenkins's suggestion that the government is "sympathetic to the creation of housing estates by this method".

We can confidently assure your readers that there is no easy way by which this beautiful country of ours can suddenly become overrun with caravans. Mr Jenkins's sensational and inflammatory article is detrimental to a responsible and well regulated industry, and unworthy of your paper.

Yours faithfully,
SYD WILD,
National Chairman, British Holiday & Home Parks Association,
Chichester House, 6 Pullman Court,
Great Western Road, Gloucester.
August 13.

From Mr T. H. B. Burrough

Sir, Simon Jenkins hints at the major cause of caravans despoiling the countryside: the colours — white, cream and blue. It is these light and dominant colours which stand out so obtrusively for a mile or more over otherwise unspoilt landscape.

Why not insist that the caravans be painted black, matt, not shiny or, better still, camouflaged? At a distance the caravans would fade into the background and close-to would be unobjectionable. It costs no more to paint in one colour than in another and this would at least ameliorate the situation until new planning regulations tackle the problem seriously.

Yours faithfully,
T. H. B. BURROUGH,
The Old House,
Frenchay Common,
Nr Bristol, Avon.
August 7.

Women's health needs

From Dr Robert T. Rouse

Sir, Fifty-five per cent of the patients of our practice are women. An analysis of our consultation figures shows that last year they accounted for 61 per cent of our surgery consultations, 70 per cent of home visits and 62 per cent of hospital referrals. The difference in consultation rates starts around the age of 15; by their late twenties and early thirties women consult three times as often as men; only as retirement and death approach do the rates become equal. Of our patients over the age of 85, only 20 per cent are men.

Your series of articles on women's health care (August 2, 3, 4) may be correct in suggesting that more could be done to improve it. Nevertheless, our figures suggest that women already make proportionately greater use of the NHS than men and they enjoy longer lives (the two things not necessarily being connected). They are provided with well women clinics, cervical and breast screening, hormone replacement therapy and so on.

They also often receive clinical priority at the expense of other patient groups. In this county a man with an enlarged prostate may wait 18 months to see a consultant; a woman with a lump in her breast will rarely wait as many days.

You should publish a series of articles about the people the NHS really ignores — men.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT ROUSE,
Rysseldene Surgery,
98 Conway Road,
Colwyn Bay, Clwyd.

Cancer and stress

From Professor H. J. Eysenck

Sir, The headline that you gave to Simon Wessely's article of June 22, "Is cancer all in the mind?", could be taken to imply that I hold such an obviously absurd view. What I do maintain, on the basis of a large body of evidence, is that stress and personality are important risk factors in cancer, and that they interact *synergistically* with other risk factors, like smoking, genetic predisposition, diet, etc.

Neither is it true, as Dr Tony Pelosi and Dr Louis Appleby have alleged in the *British Medical Journal*, that I am attempting to "change people's personality" in the course of the prophylactic treatment which has been so successful in preventing cancer in cancer-prone people.

I am merely attempting to help people to deal with stress better than they have been able to do in the past. Critics of what psychologists do and think should direct their comments at what is actually done, not at imaginary targets.

Yours faithfully,
H. J. EYSENCK,
University of London,
Institute of Psychiatry,
De Crespigny Park,
Denmark Hill, SE5.

Executive control

From Mr M. G. Ball

Sir, Mr William Waldegrave ("We have kept power in the hands of the people", Viewpoint, August 5) suggests that government accountability has not been lost and cites three examples of separating policy and the executive in the civil service, education and the NHS. He then argues that by placing individuals in key operational positions their achievements can be monitored and their accountability is manifest.

It also creates enormous organisations which become more powerful than the elected representatives set to control them. We have all enjoyed the parodies in *Yes, Minister*, because there is more than a grain of truth in them.

Now "law and order" is to be subjected to similar treatment. The Lord Chancellor intends to amalgamate about half the locally based administrative committees responsible for running magistrates' courts, merging several counties.

At a cursory glance this might seem logical, yet the real effect will be to create a considerable "democratic deficit". Can anyone really believe that any large and powerful body forced to amalgamate with a smaller one will willingly vote representatives from the smaller to control their joint destiny?

Whole areas may lose their representation on what happens to their local courts and (indirectly) their police authorities. Is this not a form of disfranchisement which produces "democratic deficit"?

Yours etc,
M. G. BALL
(Chairman, Isle of Wight Magistrates),
Ashengrove Farm, Calbourne,
Isle of Wight.
August 6.

Papal encyclical

From Ms P. Berardinelli Garrud

Sir, Three cheers for the Pope for telling it like it is in his forthcoming encyclical, *Veritatis Splendor* (report, August 5; letters, August 6, 13). There are fundamental theological differences between Protestantism and Catholicism which go beyond the ordination of women and, yes, even birth control.

Those members of the Church of England who thought they could ignore such thorny issues as the supremacy of the Pope, transubstantiation and a celibate clergy for the sake of a sanctuary where women know their place are being told to think again. Certainly some will find that their spirituality is sufficiently flexible to accept any teaching as long as it is not taught by a woman.

Yours sincerely,
PAMELA B. GARRUD,
4 Waterfall Road,
New Southgate, N11.
August 13.

From Mr Peter Allington

Sir, The tiresome refrain in your August 5 report on the Pope's new encyclical is that what you perceive as his authoritarian tone "will alienate many Catholics, particularly in the West". On the contrary, Catholics count it a sin and a scandal when the Pope fails to provide authoritative teaching and courageous leadership.

Yours sincerely,
PETER ALLINGTON,
24 Kiln Ground,
Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.
August 5.

From Mr C. N. Jordan

Sir, The expected papal encyclical would appear to be a long and, in parts, highly technical document on the intrinsic moral value of human acts. It refutes the "consequentialist" position that an act must be judged not by its objective qualities but subjectively, according to the intention of the doer or the consequences of the deed. "Situation ethics" are not for Catholics.

There is nothing here to surprise anyone familiar with the Church's traditional teaching.

Yours faithfully,
C. N. JORDAN,
3 Marder Road, W13.
August 4.

From Mr K. P. Platt

Sir, There are, I think, two considerations to which Ruth Gledhill (report, July 29) has not given sufficient thought. One is that the views of at least 800 million of the Catholic laity have never been polled and cannot be ascertained from listening to the noisy clamour of the chattering classes.

Secondly, by no means all those who disobey, or protest at, the Pope's teaching do so because they believe that he is wrong.

Yours sincerely,
KENNETH PLATT,
47 Heathhurst Road,
Sanderstead, Surrey.
August 2.

From Mr Merlin Willcox

Sir, I agree with the Pope's ideal that the sole purpose of sexual intercourse should be the procreation of children. But if one does not want a child, isn't it just as bad to have sex *without* a contraceptive as it is to have sex *with* a contraceptive? Furthermore, isn't this sin exacerbated if it results in unloved children and contributes to the population problem?

Yours truly,
MERLIN WILLCOX,
Shaftgate, Paddock Lane,
Selsey, Chichester, West Sussex.

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Increased productivity

From Mr Brian Lambert

Sir, Congratulations to John Wilson (letter, August 6) for his comment on parliamentary productivity. Twenty years ago the annual output of statutes could be accommodated in one volume of current law statutes. Now three or four volumes are apt to be required. The result is at best indigestible.

Cannot the current vogue of value for money be extended to MPs' salaries? They could be allowed a bonus for each statute curtailed or repealed, but would suffer a penalty for each page by which the annual output of statutes exceeded one volume.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN LAMBERT,
17 Alicia Court,
Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.
August 6.

Shopping around

From Miss Susan Watkin

Sir, "Free-range sausage", listed in your "Weekend Watch" food report (August 6) as available at Marks & Spencer, would be a suitable shop-mate for Mr Coutts's melons (letter, July 27), Ms Safraz's fish (August 4) and Mr Harman's peat (August 6).

Yours faithfully,
SUSAN WATKIN,
B19 Riverside Mill,
Godmanchester, Cambridgeshire.

From Mrs Rosa E. Bruton

Sir, How about "2 free range egg custard tarts" from Tesco?

Yours sincerely,
ROSA E. BRUTON,
Newton House, 73 Southward Lane,
Newton, nr Swansea,
West Glamorgan.

From Mr Dennis Walker

Sir, To add to the melons, fish or peat is the firm that advertises every Saturday reproduction furniture at "less than a fraction" of Christie's prices.

Yours faithfully,
DENNIS WALKER,
20 Scott Close,
Daventry, Northamptonshire.
August 7.

In a fix over fax

From Dr Christopher R. Palmer

Sir, The English language needs a new word to keep pace with technology. When I write a cover letter to accompany a document sent by facsimile, neither "attached" nor "enclosed" adequately describes my action. And there must be an improvement on "co-faxed".

Yours faithfully,
CHRIS PALMER,
11 Iver Close,
Cherry Hinton, Cambridge.
August 12.

COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE
August 14: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this morning disembarked from HMY *Britannia* at Aberdeen Harbour.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness drove to the Royal Aberdeen Workshops for the Blind and the Disabled to mark the 150th Anniversary of its foundation and were received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for the City of Aberdeen (Mr James Wyness, the Lord Provost).

Having unveiled a commemorative plaque, The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh toured the workshops escorted by the Hon President, Blindcraft (Mr Iain Smith) and the Chairman (Councillor Henry Rae).

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness, with The Prince Edward, (Patron, Haddo Arts Trust), this afternoon visited Haddo House Arts Centre and were received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Aberdeenshire (Captain Colin Farquharson of Whitehouse), June, Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair and the Chairman, Haddo Arts Trust Trustees (Mr Alastair Massie).

After touring the centre, The Queen unveiled a commemorative plaque to mark the opening of the new Peats Yard building.

Afterwards Her Majesty and Their Royal Highnesses visited Haddo House and were received by the Representative of the National Trust, Scotland (Mr Anthony Ashby).

The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh and The Prince Edward, subsequently honoured June, Marchioness of Aberdeen with her presence at Luncheon.

Later Her Majesty and Their Royal Highnesses drove to Balmoral Castle.

The Hon Mary Morrison, Mr Robin Janvrin and Major James Patrick were in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
August 14: The Princess Royal, Patron, All England Women's Lacrosse Association, this afternoon attended the 1993 Lacrosse World Cup Final at Heriott-Watt University, Riccarton, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for the City of Edinburgh (Mr Norman Irons, the Rt Hon the Lord Provost).

KENSINGTON PALACE
August 14: The Princess of Wales today attended the commissioning of HMS *Vanguard* at Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria.

Captain Edward Musto, RM, was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
August 15: Today is the Anniversary of the Birthday of The Princess Royal.

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy & Royal Marines

Commodore J.H. Dunt Royal Navy to be promoted Rear Admiral and to be Director General Fleet Support (Operations and Plans) in succession to Rear Admiral G.N. Davis, CB, on September 17, 1993.

CAPTAIN: J.D. Bass - Staff of CINCFLEET 26.11.93; A.M. Gregory - MOD (Central Staffs) 9.11.93; R.L. Guy - MOD (Central Staffs) 26.11.93; L.C. Hopkins - York 12.1.93; M.A. Johnson - Staff of FO Plymouth in rank of Cdre 24.9.93; R.G. Kerr - Bath 27.8.93; F.M. Malbon - Staff of CINCFLEET 21.1.94; S.R. Meyer - MOD London 14.1.94.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL: A.M. Mason - RM Poole 17.12.93

COMMANDER: N. Beadnell - Torbay in Cmd 3.5.94; P.M. Cheeseman - MOD Bath 13.8.93; J.A. Collins - MOD London 16.11.93; D.J. Cooke - MOD London 3.6.94; J.B. Cunnison - MOD Portsmouth 1.2.94; J. Donaldson - JFOS Wilton 9.8.93; H.A.H.G. Edleston - Staff of FOSF 24.8.93; N.S. Holden - NATO Europe 27.8.93; C.G. Massie-Taylor - MOD London 5.10.93; A. Menzies - MOD London 12.11.93; D.S. Morris - MOD London 4.2.94; C.C.G. Sharp - Seahawk 5.11.93; D.L. Stanesby - Nato Europe 29.10.93; M.D. Tarr - MOD London 14.1.94; D.A. Wines - MOD London 1.12.93.

SURGEON COMMANDER: S.S. Ridout - Staff of FO Portsmouth 26.11.93.

Retirements

CAPTAIN: P.N. Goodwin - 30.10.93

SURGEON COMMANDER (D): C.J. Woodward - 1.11.93

CHAPLAIN: A.M. Ross 4.11.93.

The Army

BRIGADIER: M.G. Douglas-Withers - To MOD 16.8.93

COLONEL: T.E. O'Donnell - To be CO CPO BAOR 16.8.93; N.D.A. Seymour - To be Comd BATUS MAIN 16.8.93; J.A.M.A. Selfe - To MOD 16.8.93.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL: N.W. Beswick RRF - to UK MIl Rep & Staff Brussels 16.8.93; I.O. Blackwell AGC (ETS) - To ETS Br HQ DGAGC 16.8.93; R.B. Hawken RE - To MOD 16.8.93; M.R. Healey RA - To HQ UKLF 16.8.93; R.G. Howard AGC(SPS) - To MOD 16.8.93; C.R. Langton IG - To BLO Appt USA 16.8.93; A.D. Morris REME - To MOD 19.8.93; J.A. Sheldon QLR - To HQ AFCENT (Staff) 16.8.93; P.R. Wilkinson RA - To MOD 16.8.93.

Retirements

BRIGADIER: P. Jones Late RA 17.8.93; COLONEL: M.P. Walker Late INT CORPS 23.8.93; R.E.W. Walsh Late RA 18.8.93

Royal Air Force

GROUP CAPTAIN: D.M. Niven - To HQSTC 13.8.93; D.J. Jones - To MOD 16.8.93

WING COMMANDER: J.D. Martin - To BDS Washington 26.7.93; S.G. Dorward - To MOD ACDS OR(AIR) 26.7.93; K.J. Burgess - To HQ AAFCE Ramstein 26.7.93; R.M.S. Cook - To HQRAFSC 26.7.93; I.F. Harper - To SHAPE 26.7.93; N.G. Fox - To JFHQ Perm Plan 2.8.93; A.J. Pulfrey - To HQSTC 9.8.93; D.J. Drew - To MOD DCDS (C) 9.8.93; D.R. Herriot - To MOD ACDS (OR) (AIR) 11.8.93; M.A. Leakey - To HQ 2 Gp 12.8.93; A. Hendrie - To MOD (DSMD) 12.8.93; R. Lythaby - To HQ AAFCE Ramstein 16.8.93; K. Richardson - To HQSTC 16.8.93; P. Darbyshire - To HQRAFSC 16.8.93; C.L. Dawson - To RAF Thatcham 16.8.93.

Nature notes

WILLOW warblers are looking very green in their new autumn plumage. They are feeding deep in the foliage, but occasionally emerge to chase a fly. They are also beginning to sing again in a desultory way, but will soon be heading for the Tropics. Spotted flycatchers are calling in the crowns of tall trees: they dart a long way out into the air to pick up a passing insect, and in the middle of the day are sometimes detected by their shadows moving on the ground. Many swifts have already left Britain but here and there they can still be seen rocketing across the sky.

In damp places there are large clumps of hemp agrimony: it has deep pink flowerheads speckled with paler pink. On rosebay willow-herb, fluffy seed is breaking out on the lower part of the spire, but there are still flowers at the tip. On knapweed, there are empty seedheads that look like small silver dishes. Light green seeds hang among the darker leaves on ash trees. Common blue butterflies flutter over rough grass, and more will be seen as the second brood emerges: they look like flakes of sky that have somehow got detached.

D.J.M.



The willow warbler

DNA from mummified apes used in Aids battle

By Norman Hammond
Archaeology Correspondent

ANCIENT Egyptian baboon mummies, offered to the gods more than 2,000 years ago, are being used in the fight against Aids. Recovery of virus DNA from their tissues will, it is hoped, help to chart the origins of the HIV group of viruses.

Harmless HIV-like viruses have been found in many African monkeys and apes, and may have coexisted with them for millennia, Dr Rutger Perizonius and his colleagues say in *Egyptian Archaeology*. Retroviruses have already been identified in mummy tissues 5,300 years old by using polymerase chain reaction (PCR) amplification and molecular cloning, but the hunt is now on for the monkey hosts from which the viruses are presumed to have crossed into human beings.

Samples have been collected from the Baboon Galleries at Saqqara, south of Cairo: thousands of baboons, sacred to the god Thoth, were buried there in mummy bundles during the Hellenistic period and into early Roman times. Other species present included the Barbary ape and African green monkey.

Bone samples were collected from the femurs of the animals, and the samples are being analysed in Cairo. "We are planning ancient DNA species and virus determinations on as many monkey remains as possible," the investigators say.

Source: *Egyptian Archaeology* 3: 31-33.

Glass from past

A fragment of glass from the Crystal Palace in south London, which was destroyed by fire in 1936, is expected to fetch £100 at a Christie's auction in October.

Church news

Clergy appointments

The Rev Melvyn Matthews, Director, Ammerdown Centre for Study and Renewal: to be Rector, Chew Magna w Dundry (Bath and Wells)

The Rev Kevin Mentzel, Assistant Chaplain, Eton College, Windsor: to be Assistant Chaplain, The Royal Hospital School, Holbrook, Ipswich

The Rev Richard Morrison, Assistant Curate, Boston St Botolph: to be Priest-in-charge, Digby w Bloxholm, Ashby de la Launde, Rowston and Dorrington (Lincoln)

The Rev Geoffrey Neal, Vicar, Houghton Regis: to be *also* an Honorary Canon of St Albans Abbey, same diocese

The Rev Christopher Norwood, Vicar, Christ Church, Hackenthorpe: to be Chaplain to Shrewsbury Hospital, Sheffield, and part-time Chaplain at Northern General and Weston Park Hospitals (Sheffield)

The Rev Leslie Oglesby, Director of Continuing Ministerial Education, diocese St Albans: to be *also* an Honorary Canon of St Albans Abbey, same diocese

The Rev Dan Olive, Rector, Mells w Buckland Dinham, Elm, Vobster, Whatley and Chantry: to be *also* Rural Dean of Frome (Bath and Wells)

The Rev Thomas Parkinson, Assistant Curate, St Wilfrid, Cantley, Doncaster: to be *also* Part-time Adviser for Religious Education and Worship (Sheffield)

SIMON WALKER



Counter strike: Anna Carey competes in the national carrom finals, a game described as a cross between snooker, draughts and tiddly-winks. Thirty-two players from around Britain were taking part at Covent Garden in London yesterday

Landowners back low-cost homes to stop drift to towns

By John Young

THE titled owners of three famous country estates in West Sussex are being invited to take part in a local authority scheme to provide more low-cost housing for young people who want to live and work in the countryside.

Philip Burton, Chichester District Council's chief housing officer, says the council's efforts to increase the supply of suitable sites have met with a favourable response from the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, who owns the 12,000 acre Goodwood estate near Chichester; Viscount Cowdray, who owns some 12,000 acres at Midhurst; and Lord Egremont and Leconfield, owner of the 21,000 acre Leconfield estate at Petworth.

"We are certainly not unsympathetic to the idea," Simon Knight, agent for the Leconfield estate said. "All the big estates are fully aware of the problem of providing low-cost housing, and we are in constant discussion about it."

The exodus of young people from villages all over England because they are unable to afford inflated house prices is widely agreed to be one of the biggest handicaps to a prosperous rural economy. The problem is particularly acute around Chichester, where prices are among the highest in the country and much of the land is protected against development.

"Both the Sussex Downs and Chichester harbour are designated areas of outstanding natural beauty," Mr Burton said. "We also have 85 conservation areas, 3,500 listed buildings, and numerous sites of special scientific interest and important wetlands."

The present initiative was launched after David Couttie, an independent consultant who had been approached by the Goodwood estate to assess the potential for small areas of low-cost housing, suggested to the council that the exercise should be extended to the whole district.

So far some 30 possible sites have been identified, of which nine have received planning permission. "Most people think that councils like to say no to any application," Martin Barnes, principal planning officer said. "For us to be taking the lead like this is probably fairly unusual."

The price the council is prepared to pay for land is not much more than £10,000 an acre, about three times its agricultural value, but only a fraction of what a commercial developer would pay. But it believes that many farmers and landowners, aware that a commercial development would certainly be refused, will be happy to sell.

Most of the sites are in or on the edge of existing villages, because of the need for services like electricity, water and sewerage. That risks a Nimby (not in my back yard) reaction from villagers, but so far, Mr Barnes says, the response has been mainly favourable. In one village where the inhabitants and the local council were clearly hostile, the council simply withdrew its proposal.

Development is in almost every case entrusted to housing associations, which have much readier access to government funds than local authorities, and which are able to create assured tenancies which preclude the tenants' right to buy. But the council is insisting that low cost does not mean low standards and that unlike most council estates, the houses should harmonise with their neighbours.

Anthony Bailey, chief policy adviser for the Country Landowners Association, said it supported the Chichester initiative and was anxious to see housing provided for people who worked on the land rather than commuted.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr D.A. Armstrong and Miss J.T. Hennessey
The engagement is announced between David, elder son of Mr and Mrs Alan Armstrong, of Wilmslow, Cheshire, and Janice, younger daughter of Mr Bernard Hennessey and the late Mrs Hennessey, of Radcliffe, Greater Manchester.

Mr M.W. Bawden and Miss J.R. Thompson
The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs W.R. Bawden, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, and Joanna (Tiggy), daughter of Mr and Mrs J.R. Thompson, of Marlborough, Wiltshire.

Mr S.J. Irons and Miss V.J. Brown
The engagement is announced between Stuart, son of Mr and Mrs B. Irons, of Moore, Warrington, and Victoria, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.A. Brown, of Aughton, Ormskirk.

Mr A.G. Eden and Miss A.J. Stacey
It is with great pleasure that the marriage is announced between Andrew Gregory, son of Charles Eden and the late Kathleen Eden, of Worcestershire, England, and Amanda Jane, daughter of Cyril and Daphne Stacey, of Surrey, England. The marriage will take place at St John's Cathedral, Hong Kong, on August 21, 1993.

Mr T.P.B. Plewman and Miss H.M. Stewart
The engagement is announced between Paddy, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Plewman, of Thorpeness, Suffolk, and Helen, daughter of Mr and Mrs Roy Stewart, of Knebworth, Hertfordshire.

Mr H.E. Upton and Miss R.M. Hatch
The engagement is announced between Hugo, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Robin Upton, of Herringswell, Suffolk, and Rachel, twin daughter of Mr Michael Hatch, of Mortimer, Berkshire, and Mrs David Burrows, of Tetbury, Gloucestershire and stepdaughter of the late Mr David Burrows.

Mr C.D. Vaughan and Miss S.J. Simmons
The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of Mr and Mrs Keith Vaughan, of Doncaster, Yorkshire, and Susan, elder daughter of Air Marshal Sir Michael and Lady Simmons, of Tring, Hertfordshire.

Wedding anniversary

The Rev Harry and Mrs Irene Hutton celebrated the fifty-fifth anniversary of their marriage on August 13.

Marriages

The Earl of Hopetoun and Miss S.L. Bovill
The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, attended the marriage on Saturday, July 10, at St George's Brailee, of the Earl of Hopetoun, eldest son of the Marquess of Linlithgow and the Countess De la Warr, and Miss Skye Bovill, elder daughter of Major and Mrs Bristow Bovill, of Shipston-on-Stour, Warwickshire. The Rev Nicholas Morgan officiated, assisted by the Rev Ivor Gibson.

The bride who was given away by her father, was attended by, Lady Lousia Hope, Davina Bovill, Benjamin Bovill, Alexander Southby, Jessica Palmer-Tomkinson, Victoria Von Westenholz and Jonathan Palmer-Tomkinson. Mr Algernon Percy was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride.

Captain G.H. Davies and the Hon Katherine Eady
The marriage took place on Saturday in the Crypt of Canterbury Cathedral of Captain Gareth Huw Davies, son of Dr and Mrs Cyril Davies, of Bath, to the Hon Katherine Anne Dorothy Swinfen Eady, daughter of Lord and Lady Swinfen, of Wingham, Kent. Canon Anthony Phillips officiated.

Mr P.M. Thomson and Miss A.K. Redwood
The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Michael the Archangel, Mere, Wiltshire, of Captain Patrick Thomson, eldest son of Brigadier and Mrs Michael Thomson, of Trouville, France, to Miss Anna Redwood, eldest daughter of Colonel Sir Peter and Lady Redwood, of Corton, Wiltshire. The Rev W.H.V. Elliott officiated, assisted by Father Phelim Rowland.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Lucy Johnson, Edward Johnson, Anne Masson Regnault and Marie de Brive. Mr Mark Hunt was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr J.G.S. Longcroft and Mrs A.J.H. Longcroft
The marriage took place on Monday, August 9, at 20 Devonshire Place, of James, elder son of the late Mr and Mrs R.S. Longcroft, and Anita, only daughter of Mr K. Self and the late Mrs H.O. Self, of South Lopham, Norfolk.

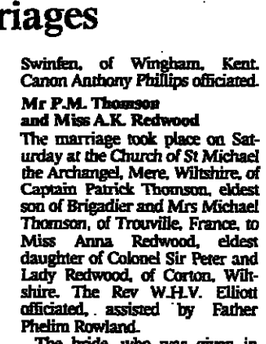
Anniversaries

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DEATHS: Thomas Fuller, scholar, London, 1661; Jacques Bernoulli, mathematician, Basel, 1705; Ramakrishna, teacher and writer, Calcutta, 1886; Robert Bunsen, chemist, Heidelberg, 1899; Sir Joseph Norman Lockyer, astronomer, Salcombe Regis, Devon, 1920; "Babe" Ruth, baseball player, New York, 1948; Douglas Hogg, 1st Viscount Hailsham, Lord Chancellor 1928-29 and 1935-38, Sussex, 1950; Louis Jouvet, actor, Paris, 1951; Irving Langmuir, physicist, Falmouth, Massachusetts, 1957; Wanda Landowska, harpsichordist, Lakeville, Connecticut, 1959; Selman Waksman, discoverer of streptomycin, Nobel laureate 1952, Hyannis, Massachusetts, 1973; Elvis Presley, singer and actor, Memphis, Tennessee, 1977; John George Diefenbaker, Prime Minister of Canada 1957-63, 1979.

The Peterloo massacre, Manchester, 1819.

The Tate Gallery, London, was opened, 1897.



The publisher Tom Maschler is 60 today

Birthdays today

The Right Rev Ronald Bowlby, 67; Sir Philip Dowson, architect, 69; Sir David Gillmore, diplomat, 59; Miss Katharine Hamnett, fashion designer, 46; Madonna, singer, 34; Sir Donald Maitland, civil servant and diplomat, 71; Mr Tom Maschler, publisher, 60; Mr John Standing, actor, 59; Professor W. St C. Symmers, pathologist, 76; Sir James Taylor, mining engineer, 91; Mr Jeff Thomson, cricketer, 43; Mr Arthur Walsh, former chairman, Northern Telecom Europe, 67; Sir Geoffrey Warnock, former vice-chancellor, Oxford University, 70; Sir Jack Wellings, former chairman, The 600 Group, 76; Professor Brian Woledge, professor of French, 89.

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BIRTHS

ATTARD-MARCHÉ - On July 12th in New York to Amanda (née Ibbetson) and Jeremy, a son, Thomas William George, a brother for Alexandra.

BARKER - On August 11th, to Consuelo (née Fraser) and Guy, a son, Inigo Julian Clare, a brother for Theodora.

DE LEEUW - On August 8th to Paul and Deirdre (née Michie), a lovely son Craig.

FINDLEY - On 10th August 1993, to Julie (née Bond) and Christopher, a son Alexander

HADDOCK - On August 11th at The Portland Hospital, to Sally (née Osborn) and Neil, a son, Charles Dominic, a brother for Alex and Max.

LEWIS - On 13th August 1993, to Elizabeth (née Kirwan) and Alan, their first son, Vaughn Alan Ross Lewis, dearly loved.

MORRIS - On August 10th at the University Hospital, Wales, to Angela (née Sadie) and Peter, a daughter, Sarah Louise, a sister for Alexander.

BIRTHS

NEGUS - On 12th August at St Mary's Hospital to Helena and Rupert, a son, Oliver John Michael.

QUILTER - On August 13th at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, Hammersmith, to Helen and Ben, a son.

TALBOT - On 8th August in New York to Anthony and Melody (Née Hallett) a daughter, Imogen Primrose Claire.

DEATHS

BIRT - On 12th August 1993, Alan Beckett Birt C.B.E., F.R.C.S., aged 78 years, peacefully at the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital after a brave fight against myeloid leukaemia. Beloved husband of Peggy Jean (and of the late Joyce Staunton). Dearly loved father of Christopher, Rosemary, Alix and Jenny, father-in-law of Lesley, Wojciech, Andrés and Andy and all his stepchildren and grandchildren. Private cremation. Memorial Service to be announced at a later date. Donations to Norfolk Bone Marrow Treatment Appeal c/o G.W. Gooch & Sons Funeral Directors, Kimberley Street, Norwich, Norfolk, NR2 2RJ.

DEATHS

COWARD - On Wednesday 11th August 1993, Marjorie Ann, after a long illness bravely borne. Daughter of Bert and the late Thora, sister to Richard and aunty to Paul and Nerys. Cremation at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead, 20th August 1993 at 12.30pm.

GANNETT - Douglas Charles on August 12th 1993 aged 82 years, after a bravely fought illness, died peacefully at his home in Caldy, Wirral, in the presence of his loving family, dearly loved husband of Maureen, beloved father of Suzanne, Judith, Philip and Martin. Service at Caldy Church on Tuesday August 17th at 10.45 am, followed by cremation at Blacon Crematorium, Chester. Flowers or donations in favour of C.C.R.T. (Super Scan) c/o Quinns Funeral Service, West Kirby, Wirral L48 4EF tel: (051) 625-8274.

HEALEY - On August 12th, Marjorie Louisa. Widow of Kenneth Healey and mother of Ana and Hilary. Funeral service at St Mary Magdalene Church Gedney, Lincs, on Wednesday August 18th at 2pm followed by interment in the church yard. Flowers may be sent to A E Woolley and Son Holbeach or donations if desired to the church at the service or care of Reverand D Bradley The Rectory, Fleet, Lincs.

DEATHS

HINE - On 12th August 1993, after a short illness bravely fought. Elizabeth died peacefully in her sleep at St Margaret's (Somerset) Hospice, Taunton, aged 84 years. Beloved wife of the late Leonard John Hine, mother of John and Richard and grandma to James, Lucinda, Abigail, Louise, Alice and William. Her sons and grandchildren will miss her dearly. A funeral service will be held at St Mary Magdalene, Taunton, on Thursday 19th August 1993 at 2.45 pm, followed by a private interment at All Saints Church, Trull. Family flowers but donations to St Margaret's (Somerset) Hospice, c/o Leonard E. Smith Funeral Directors, 1 Haydon Road, Taunton, would be appreciated.

LITTLE - On 15th August, Albert Edward, after a long illness bravely borne. Much loved by family and friends. Funeral Service at Cheltenham Crematorium Monday 23rd August at 2.30pm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to the RNLI direct.

DEATHS

MACKENZIE - On August 12th 1993, peacefully, aged 87. Marie Evelyn Campbell, née Parkinson, beloved wife of the late Captain Sir Roderick (Mac) Mackenzie BT: RN and loving mother of Mariebel, Ruari and Fiona and grandmother of James, Christopher, Gregory, Nina, Louisa, Angus and Laetitia. Funeral at 3pm, Tilford Church, Surrey on Tuesday 17th August 1993. Arrangements, H C Patrick & Co, Farnham, Surrey.

SERVICE - Mary Constance, widow of the late Ian Service, peacefully at home on 11th August. Beloved mother of John, Tom and Susan and grandmother of Katie, Louisa, George, Nicola, Thomas and Alice. Private funeral, no flowers, but donations to The Greater London Fund for the Blind, 2 Wyndham Place, London W1H 2AO.

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OBITUARIES

CAPTAIN JOHN BOUTWOOD

Captain John Wilfred Boutwood, DSO, RN, captain of the ill-fated cruiser *Curacoa* in the second world war, died on August 2 aged 94. He was born on March 31, 1899.



THE disaster which befell HMS *Curacoa* was one of the least publicised incidents of the second world war. Only in 1945, with victory over Hitler's Germany complete, did the Admiralty reveal the full story. It happened on October 2, 1942, 40 miles off the Donegal coast as the giant Cunard liner *Queen Mary* was nearing the end of her transatlantic voyage to Clydeside with more than 10,000 US servicemen on board.

The *Queen Mary*, like the *Queen Elizabeth*, always crossed "the pond" alone during her time as a troopship in the war. Instead of sailing in convoy, she relied on her 30-knot speed and on taking evasive action to protect her from the threat posed by German U-boats. Only when she was nearing home was she given an escort by the Royal Navy.

On this occasion her escort included the *Curacoa*, an anti-aircraft cruiser whose role was to help guard the *Queen Mary* from the Luftwaffe. Captain John Boutwood, an experienced gunnery specialist, was in command.

The weather was fine, though the sea was rough, as *Curacoa* rendezvoused with the fast moving *Queen*, which was, as usual, zig-zagging to help confuse any prowling enemy. Sadly however, it also confused her own escort.

The *Queen Mary* was on the starboard leg of one of her zig-zags while the *Curacoa* was on her starboard bow, preparing to slip astern for the voyage home. In some alarm, the officer of the watch of the *Queen Mary* suddenly realised that the vessels were dangerously close.

The liner swung hard to port — but all too late. The 80,000-ton *Queen* slammed full tilt into the 4,200-ton warship, cutting her in two. The *Curacoa*'s stern section sank at once while her severed bow swiftly followed. Of her crew of 430, only 99 survived.

The *Queen Mary*, under strict orders to stop for nothing, in view of her precious cargo of troops, could not even take part in the rescue, but proceeded at a reduced speed towards the Clyde, where emergency repairs were carried out.

Captain Boutwood, initially cleared by the Admiralty, went on to distinguish himself in the second world war. In December that year he commissioned in Belfast the new Algerine-class minesweeper *Phantome* and was given command of the 12th minesweeping flotilla.

After escorting a convoy to Africa, the flotilla was dispatched to the Mediterranean. There Boutwood was to play a leading role in preparing for the allied invasion of Sicily and Italy. *Phantome* herself was damaged beyond repair when her stern was blown off by a mine in May 1943, forcing Boutwood to move his command to her sister ship *Fly* in which he was made a captain (minesweepers) for the Mediterranean fleet.

He won the DSO for sweeping the whole length of the Mediterranean for enemy mines — a huge and complicated operation — then was mentioned in dispatches at Salerno.

While VE-day brought triumph and relief for many homes, it heralded fresh worries for John Bourwood. The official inquiry into the *Curacoa*'s loss opened in June 1945 and ended by heaping all blame upon the cruiser.

The Admiralty appealed against this judgment and the Court of Appeal partly overturned it. It declared in a majority decision that two-thirds of the fault lay with the *Curacoa* while the other third belonged to the liner. The House of Lords later upheld this ruling.

The smaller, more manoeuvrable *Curacoa*, it was contended, should be seen as the "give way" vessel, while the *Queen Mary* was the "stand on" ship. Even so, the law lords agreed, the liner should also have reacted to the danger rather than relying on the *Curacoa* to do so.

John Boutwood continued his career in the Royal Navy. He served as deputy director of manning at the Admiralty, was chief of staff under the flag officer for Scotland and Northern Ireland and went on the senior officers' war course at Greenwich. His final posting was as captain of HMS *Royal Arthur*, the petty officers' leadership school at Corsham.

He then retired in early 1951 and worked successfully for the next 13 years, managing insurance for the trawler industry in Hull.

There was no great naval tradition in his family. Born into a drapery business in Hastings, he went to The Leys School in Cambridge before Osborne Naval College. At The Leys his friend and classmate was the future novelist James Hilton, with whom he constantly vied for the English prize — although Hilton usually won. As a young officer, based in Malta between the wars, he also became a close friend of the actor David Niven when the latter was still an officer in the army.

Boutwood was a courteous, fair-minded, thoughtful man who, although he rarely discussed the *Curacoa*, was said to be profoundly affected by it throughout his life. He always felt that he had been unfairly blamed for the disaster and maintained that his own conscience remained clear. His crew in the *Phantome* were to praise him for his coolness and professionalism when the minesweeper struck its mine in 1943.

John Boutwood is survived by his wife Lavender, whom he married in 1935, and by one son and a daughter.

CHARLES MAUDE

Charles Maude, graphic and stage designer, died from an Aids related illness at Adderbury, Oxfordshire, on August 3 aged 42. He was born in London on May 27, 1951.



THIRD child and elder son of Sir Angus (now Lord) and Lady Maude, Charles Maude was born into a gifted family for whom ideas, books, the arts and vigorous debate (which visitors often mistook for quarrels) were the backcloth for public service. Proud of the distinguished political careers of his father, and later of his younger brother Francis, Charles Maude had quite different ideas about what to do with his own generous share of gifts.

When Maude was seven the family moved to Australia where his father was for three and a half years editor of the *Sydney Morning Herald*: later he was to link his restless eclecticism to this painful upheaval. Returning to this country Maude senior succeeded John Profumo as MP for Stratford-upon-Avon in 1964, and the family settled in north Oxfordshire. From Abingdon School, where he was an outstanding student (also developing his musical talent as a pianist, cellist and chorister) and in due course becoming Head Boy, Maude went up to Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, where he remained for seven years. He read Philosophy, later switching to English and beginning, though not completing, a doctoral thesis on didactic poetry in 18th-century England. By now drawn to the theatre, he began to design sets and costumes for student productions.

After Cambridge Maude worked briefly as an administrator at the English National Opera before setting up as a freelance designer. In fact most of his work was graphic design, rather than for the stage, exacting work requiring meticulous attention to detail. Much of it was arts-related and festival programmes became a speciality, notably those for Edinburgh and Spitalfields. The latter, fine examples of the genre, included Maude's own outstanding photographs of the exquisite Hawksmoor church which houses that festival.

In 1985 working with his then partner, the choreographer Michael Corder, Maude created designs for the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet's *Wand of Youth* which won critical acclaim (and an Olivier Award nomination for the best new dance production of the year).

This was followed in 1986 by equally successful designs for *Ancient Airs and Dances* for Northern Ballet Theatre. In 1987 Maude designed the British stage premiere of Kurt Weill's Broadway opera *Street Scene*, a one-night tour de force at the Palace Theatre (in which he also had a walk-on part) which established the strength of Weill's piece and led to the later successful co-production between the Scottish Opera and the English National Opera.

By now Maude knew that he was HIV positive. This was news he met with characteristic combativeness, throwing himself with almost fanatical zeal into the philosophy and work of London Lighthouse, already a very high profile, innovative project in the turbulent world of HIV and Aids. The premiere of *Street Scene* had in fact been a fundraising gala for the Lighthouse, the first of many such events with which Maude was involved. In 1988 he organised the first Art Works for London Lighthouse auction at Christie's in the presence of the Princess of Wales, prevailing on many British artists of distinction — including Bacon, Freud, Frink, Hockney, Hodgkin and Proctor — to contribute original works.

His powers of persuasion were such that there had to be two sales, which together raised enough to complete the £4.85m capital appeal, enabling the distinguished new building to be opened without debt.

Later Maude turned his attention to the world of music, organising a highly successful series of celebrity recitals at the Lighthouse, now about to start its second season. Only weeks before his death, by now very frail, he was still at work planning another aucion at Christie's, this one of photographs called Out of Shadow, to be held this year also in the presence of the Princess of Wales.

Maude's way of coping with the fear of Aids was to face it. He not only set out to find out everything he could, becoming expert in this as in so many other fields; courageously he was also determined to communicate his knowledge widely, raising awareness and changing attitudes through education and training work at London Lighthouse. In seminars, workshops, support groups and training programmes Maude worked with health care professionals, social workers, the police, probation officers and classroom teachers, as well as with people living with HIV and Aids, bringing personal authority to the task of communicating accurate information and positive perspectives on HIV/Aids and many related issues.

Maude also represented London Lighthouse at various international meetings and promoting partnerships with HIV/Aids projects in developing countries.

NAN GREY

Nan Grey, former film actress and wife of the singer Frankie Laine, died in Los Angeles on July 25 aged 75. She was born in Houston, Texas, on July 25, 1918.



Nan Grey, right, Deanna Durbin, centre, and Barbara Read, left, in *Three Smart Girls*

UNIVERSAL Pictures in Hollywood were facing a grave financial crisis in the mid-1930s, despite having recently made several classic horror films — *Dracula* (1931), *Frankenstein* (1931) and *The Mummy* (1932). What saved the company from drowning in a sea of red ink was a small-budget but exuberent musical comedy released in 1936.

Three Smart Girls featured the talents of three fresh-faced teenagers: Deanna Durbin, Nan Grey and Barbara Read. The plot centred around the girls' eventually successful efforts to reunite their warring parents. The 15-year-old Durbin's success on the *Eddie Cantor Radio Hour* just prior to the film's release helped to ensure its success — Universal grossed $2 million from the film and Durbin was launched as an international star — but her on-screen sisters were also praised. *Variety* described Grey, playing the reserved blonde, and Read, cast as a jolly brunette, as "new ingénues of promise". Grey's subsequent career never lived up to this hopeful start, though she went on to find a full-time role as the wife of the singer Frankie Laine.

Nan Grey — then known as Eschal Loleet Grey Miller — arrived in Hollywood from her home in Texas at the age of 12. She was given a screen test and hired for three unremarkable Warner films — *Babbitt* in 1934 and *The Firebird* and *Mary Jane's Pa* the following year. She then signed up with Universal, appearing first in *Sea Spoilers* (1936) in which she was abducted by seal poachers, and in *Dracula's Daughter* (1936), a sequel to the Lugosi classic in which Grey has her neck drained — Gloria Holden playing the Count's offspring.

Despite Grey having won praise for her blonde good looks and translucently pale skin, Universal seemed inept at exploiting their new find in any sort of serious dramatic role. After her success in *Three Smart Girls*, she found herself mysteriously consigned to the round of B-pictures, typically cast as the long-suffering girlfriend — *Some Blondes are Dangerous* (1937) — or as a plucky little nurse (carrying out a shipboard appendectomy under radio guidance from a surgeon) in *The Storm* (1938). Of the latter *The New York Times* said the picture never recovered from the operation.

A sequel with Durbin, *Three Smart Girls Grow Up* (1939) looked set to revive Grey's career but the result, while palatable enough, was inevitably warmed over. "Pillow fights and first love and being sent to bed without any dinner — the awkward age has never been so laundered and lavendered and laid away" lamented Graham Greene.

Grey abandoned Hollywood after the last of her 28 films, *Under Age*, in 1941. "It wasn't a wrench you know. When I was in Hollywood I was too young to know what filming really meant," she later said, although she continued to charm audiences on the radio with her portrayal of Kathy Marshall in a popular serial, *Those We Love*, which ran until 1945.

She returned to the screen one last time in 1960 when she and her second husband, Frankie Laine, both played in a single episode of the television series *Rawhide* (it was Laine who sang the theme song). Grey had divorced her first husband, Jackie Westrope, a jockey, in 1950, and married Laine (whom she met in a night club), a few months later.

For a while Grey tried her hand at business. She ran an antiques shop and was president of Nan's Close-up Mirror/Lens, Inc, which made cosmetic mirrors for short-sighted women. But her husband's musical career inevitably came first. Even Grey's mother was involved — she ran Laine's fan club.

Grey accompanied her husband on his gruelling series of concert tours and kept the hoards of teenage fans at bay. When they were not travelling, the Laines lived in a seafront house in San Diego, the main attraction of which was its excellent facilities for deep-sea fishing. Never keen on the Hollywood lifestyle, Grey shared Laine's passion for the simple, undomesticated life, and as Laine's career wound down, the couple spent more of their time on a boat: "We have maid service, laundry and our food cooked for us. That's what I call living. We can go fishing all the time," said Laine.

Nan Grey is survived by Frankie Laine, and by two daughters from her first marriage.

K. G. YOUNG

Kenneth George Young, Bank of England official, died in the Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, on July 30 aged 83. He was born in Rampton, Nottinghamshire, on January 25, 1910.



KENNETH YOUNG was the Bank of England's first chief computer programmer. For the last quarter of 40 years' service he led the application of computer technology in the Bank's work.

The son of an estate bailiff, Young attended Bishop's Stortford College where he captained his house and excelled in mathematics. He was "introduced" to the Bank of England in 1928 by his father's then employer, the shipping magnate, Sir Charles Ellis.

As a clerk he had a reputation as the fastest pen in the Chief Accountant's Office, but after the war and service with the RAF he was one of very few Bank evacuees to Hampshire who chose to continue living in the countryside.

In the village of St Mary Bourne, where he lived for the rest of his life, he single-handledly resurrected the village flower show, became the local correspondent for all the local newspapers, and accountant and chief publicist for the Bladon Gallery of Arts and Crafts, a pioneering country art gallery founded in 1949 in neighbouring Hurstbourne Tarrant.

A man who commuted to Threadneedle Street from a cottage without running water, bringing fresh-gathered mushrooms to work for town-dwelling colleagues, and using Bank ledgers to log the product of his chicken run, was unorthodox by Bank standards. Young was also unfashionable enough to be a life-long Liberal, and would arrive for work with pockets and briefcase heavily stuffed with seed packets, village committee minutes, Liberal literature, and flower show catalogues.

Though promoted principal clerk in 1949, he stalled in that rank for ten years until, baffled by the difficulties of getting valve-driven computers to shoulder the work of the Dividend Preparation Office, his superiors remembered Young's mathematical skills and drafted him for the job.

First-generation computers were notoriously temperamental, and the Bank's requirements complex. On the day the system finally went live, in 1963, Young suffered his first heart attack but he returned to work months later, to become Principal of the Chief Accountants Office Planning Section in 1965. By then he led a team of 30 younger bankers trained in computer skills. By the time he retired in 1968, to devote himself more exclusively to country cottages, gardening and village affairs the Bank's stock side records, thanks to his efforts, had been entirely committed to magnetic tape.

Kenneth Young is survived by his wife, and his son, Robin, a reporter with *The Times*.

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GRAVE INJUSTICES ALLEGED

Nine London correspondents of leading newspapers in four neutral European countries write:-

Foreign correspondents of the neutral Press have watched with great anxiety the discussions in the House of Commons regarding the measures promised in order to repair the harm done to the traditional reputation of British fairness by the indiscriminate internment of refugee aliens. Our expectations, however, have not been fulfilled.

We now raise our voices just because we are guided by feelings of deepest sympathy towards Britain. In our journalistic work we endeavour to establish a favourable picture of Britain's spiritual and moral strength. For this reason we deem it our duty to emphasize the damaging impression created abroad by the spirit and methods of the refugee internments. Millions of sympathizers with Britain's case begin to doubt whether the British ideals of humanity and justice still prevail.

The critical attitude of a number of leading personalities of British public life raised our hope that such measures, together with others applying to friendly aliens which have been decided upon in a moment of anxiety, mostly due to the influence of an irresponsible campaign, would be revised. The fact that ample space has been granted in the columns of *The Times* to this problem gave further nourishment to this expectation. Nothing, however, can be more disappointing than the White Paper which was supposed to be the remedy for an injustice, generally recognized as such.

The new regulations seem to be based on the utilitarian principle to release a small number of internees who might be useful to this country from the economical or technical point of view. No scope is left to deal with the case of internees according to their merit. Thousands of intellectuals, leaders of the anti-Nazi campaign, refugees who volunteered to serve in Britain's forces, continue to be kept behind barbed wire or are being deported oversea. In spite of promises and statements made in the House of Commons, the treatment of the internees seems to be less favourable than that of prisoners of war.

The fate of the deported "C" class aliens is even more disconcerting. Appeals for release are turned down by the Home Secretary in a stereotyped form ending with the sentence "The Secretary of State is not prepared to give any reason for any of his decisions."

We feel entitled to express our deep concern because we realize better than anybody else what tremendous harm has been done to Britain's case in foreign countries by adopting a principle which is entirely contrary to the traditional British ideals. Efforts to promote Britain's case abroad are bound to suffer. But there is still a possibility for a remedy. The confidence and faith of millions of sympathizers with Britain could be re-established if a new system were adopted which, instead of an unjust generalization, would leave scope for dealing with each case on its merits.

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No doubt there was reason for concern about the internment policy, but, as those who were alive in that fraught summer will remember, the task of the authorities was a very tricky one.

THE TIMES TODAY MONDAY AUGUST 16 1993

NEWS

Row casts shadow over airlift

■ Seven children were among 21 Bosnian sick and wounded war victims brought to Britain yesterday as a further 18 were flown to Sweden in the biggest medical airlift from Sarajevo since the war began.

Continued sniping between Britain and the United Nations over the airlift has cast a shadow over Operation Irma, named after the five-year-old wounded child evacuated last week ..... Pages 1, 2, 3, 9, 19

Tunnel keeps Sarajevo supplied

■ Besieged Sarajevans have survived food and fuel shortages by digging a 700-yard tunnel under the airport which has been under the control of the United Nations for more than a year. Bosnian Serbs, aware of the existence of the tunnel, have demanded that it be closed ..... Page 1

BCCI acquittal

Jurors who deliberated for four days in the first major trial of the BCCI banking scandal, decided to dismiss all charges brought by the New York State against the Washington lawyer Robert Altman, 46. ..... Pages 1, 44

Christie triumph

The Olympic champion, Linford Christie, won the world championship 100 metres title in Stuttgart last night in 9.87 seconds, the second fastest time ever recorded. The Americans Andre Cason, Dennis Mitchell and Carl Lewis were second, third and fourth respectively ..... Pages 1, 23

Exams gloom

The rapid recent expansion of higher education is being stopped in its tracks in the arts and social sciences after cuts of up to 30 per cent in government fees to such courses ..... Page 1

Nuclear pact

The Russians and Ukrainians appear to be close to agreement on dismantling former Soviet nuclear weapons on the latter's territory, according the Andrei Kozyrev, Moscow's foreign minister ..... Page 10

Ports embargo

Arab ports have shunned a Chinese cargo ship, the *Yinhe*, after the Unites States accused it of carrying banned chemical weapons additives for Iran ..... Page 15

Right rallies

Far-right groups demonstrated an ability to organise at international level when neo-Nazis from throughout Europe, including Britain, rallied in Germany to mark the sixth anniversary of the death of Rudolf Hess ..... Page 10

Going home

Nearly 400 Palestinian fundamentalists, who had been deported from Israel and left stranded for the past eight months in southern Lebanon, have accepted an Israeli offer to return home in stages ..... Page 15

Russians stricken

Doctors in Russia have appealed for a vaccination programme to eradicate diphtheria which has stricken more than 4,000 people so far this year. It had been thought that the disease had been wiped out in the country in the 1960s ..... Page 10

Peace hopes

Georgian and Abkhazian troops have begun to withdraw from their positions around Sukhumi in a move which could lead to acceptance of a Russian peace plan for the Black Sea region of Abkhazia ..... Page 9

Prison protest

A hunger strike of thousands of Italian prisoners, organised by a group calling itself Victims of Justice, has spread to 90 per cent of the jail population, highlighting deteriorating conditions and overcrowding in the country's prisons where the number of inmates has increased by a third in the past year ..... Page 9

Redundant acres in green revolution

■ Within this decade, nearly 10 million acres now cultivated for food production — a fifth of all British farmland — are likely to become surplus to requirement. Bryn Green, professor of countryside management at Wye College, which is part of the University of London, sees the development as an opportunity to repair past environmental damage ..... Page 8



Tail of woe: a piece of the RAF helicopter, in which three teenagers died, is recovered from Lake Padarn in north Wales. Page 4

SPORT

Golf: Ronan Rafferty won the Austrian Open, beating Anders Sorensen, of Denmark, at the first extra hole of a sudden-death playoff. The victory moved Rafferty into 15th place in the Ryder Cup points table ..... Page 24

Cricket: Mark Ilott, fighting to keep his England place, suffered once more at the hands of the touring Australians when he was hit for 47 runs in nine overs for Essex at Chelmsford ..... Page 25

Football: Manchester United, the champions, got their season off to an impressive start with a 2-0 victory away to Norwich City. Their goals came from Ryan Giggs and Bryan Robson ..... Page 26

BUSINESS

Midas touch: Gold markets are set for an uncomfortable opening today after reports that investment guru George Soros has taken his profits and sold out ..... Page 44

Frankly speaking: The extent of French arm-twisting of banks, economists and analysts to support the redoubtable "franc fort" is only now coming to light two weeks after the collapse of the exchange rate mechanism ..... Page 44

Gas attack: A monopolies commission report into the gas industry is likely to recommend breaking British Gas's domestic supply monopoly but will stop short of pushing for a radical breakup of the company ..... Pages 42, 44

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Mole and the naked landlady: Mole is 23¾ and his romance with Pandora is over. Where can he turn? The second extract from Sue Townsend's new book ..... Page 16

Trendy tots: These days, children are making fashion statements long before they can string a sentence together. Iain R. Webb on trends for tots ..... Page 17

EDUCATION

Making the grades: A-level results will drop through 400,000 candidates' letter boxes this Thursday. But aspiring university students should not panic if they find that they have not met the required grades ..... Page 31

ARTS

A phoenix rises: Thanks to the intervention of the musicals mogul Cameron Mackintosh, some of the most important events in the Edinburgh festival will go ahead even though the Playhouse Theatre was damaged by fire ..... Page 33

Double helping: The Oxford Stage Company's current tour features Shakespeare back-to-back: *Pericles* and *The Comedy of Errors*. And audiences will get a bit of a smile and a bit of a tear ..... Page 34

Carmelite Casanova: Jeffrey Ruda has produced the first serious book in the English language on Fr Filippo Lippi, the Carmelite friar artist who seduced and eventually married a nun ..... Page 35

TV LISTINGS

Anthony Hopkins is narrator for a gory wildlife programme. *Hunters in the Wild: Company of Killers* (BBC1, 7pm) ..... Page 43

OPINION

Pity is not enough

The moral dilemma of Bosnia cannot be solved by pity alone. By hard politics and cold strategy, the Serbians and other combatants must still be forced to a negotiated settlement ..... Page 19

Zhu's burden

The best that can be said is that if China weathers this storm, it will be better placed to gamble on political reforms once Deng Xiaoping goes to meet his Marx ..... Page 19

The Shali Army

A difficult job should not daunt General John Shalikashvili. His English tutor, John Wayne, was laconic in word and effective in action. "General Shali" could do no better than emulate that ..... Page 19

COLUMNS

WILLIAM REES-MOGG

Despite the huge racial and social differences in the Catholic community in the United States, its faith helps hold modern America together ..... Page 18

PETER RIDDELL

The assertion that politics is not working — the creed of anti-politicians such as Paddy Ashdown and Ross Perot — is dangerous nonsense ..... Page 18

MATTHEW PARRIS

She shot a wicked glance. "With me you will not be tired. Love is the best thing for tiredness." Cubans' attitude to sex comes as a shock to naive Englishmen ..... Page 18

LETTERS

Suggestions for helping more wounded war victims in Bosnia ..... Page 19

THE PAPERS

One obvious priority for General Shalikashvili will be to introduce more flexibility into the reigning strategic doctrine of overwhelming force. In practice it has often meant overestimating the enemy's military prowess.

The New York Times

Although American Catholics have substantial disagreements with the Pope on matters including birth control, divorce and the ordination of women and married men, they still seem to admire the man a great deal.

The Washington Post

FEATURES



Damon Hill, driving his Williams Renault, recorded his first grand prix victory yesterday with a comfortable win in the Hungarian event Page 29



Virginia Bottomley, health secretary, has a plan for private firms and voluntary organisations to run secure homes for dangerous children Page 4



Lord David Sutch, leader of the Official Monster Raving Loony party, has celebrated 30 years of fighting by-elections from the fringe Page 4

THE TIMES TOMORROW

Justice for the in-betweens?

■ One law for the rich and one for the poor, but no law for those in between? Derek Wheatley QC on the financial barriers to justice

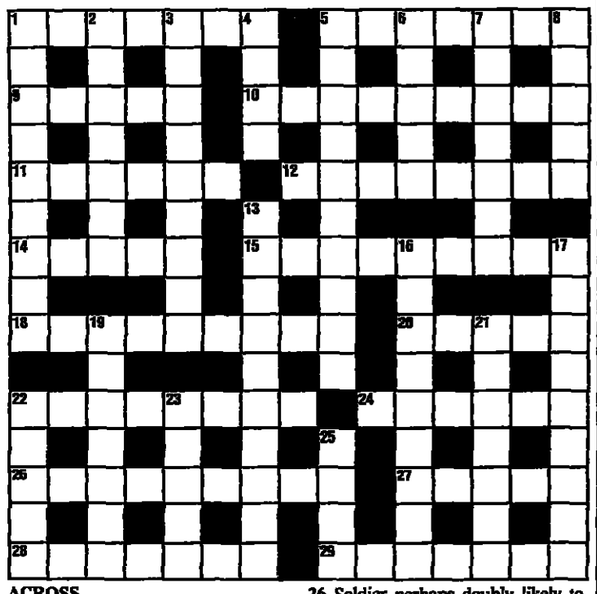
The bearded Mole

■ In the third extract from The Wilderness Years, Adrian tries to change his image just as his qualifications are under scrutiny at the DoE

Future imperfect

■ The Tate doesn't know where to put its new London gallery; it doesn't even know what kind of modern art facility it really wants.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,310



ACROSS

1 Takes a brighter outlook when fringe benefits increased (5,2).
5 Fast food outlet requiring injection of hard cash (7).
9 Dynamic sort in Vortigern's band (5).
10 On crime, be original to achieve reformation (9).
11 A traveller taking in two cities (6).
12 Very fond of supplement to reconstituted diet with cold ingredient (8).
14 Turn on fellow grabbing gin cocktail (5).
15 Host investing stronghold in target area (9).
18 Stays to the end, backing gripping speaker (9).
20 Bit of a bloomer with pawn delayed riposte (5).
22 Fancy opponents have not lost face (8).
24 Grass, whichever way one looks (6).
26 Soldier perhaps doubly likely to flee? (6,3).
27 A charge for present (5).
28 Quick intelligence keeping lady on horseback (7).
29 Unchanging rental negotiated after first quarter (7).

DOWN

1 Look closely at sort of shirt taken in with synthetic material (9).
2 Soldiers detailed for course of exercise (7).
3 Failing to collect the rents initially, fellow gets tough (9).
4 Opening a mineral after parking (4).
5 One on the staff, perhaps, but not by choice (10).
6 A casual individual from The Times (5).
7 Nautical platform isn't commonly clean outside (7).
8 Border flower leaving unwanted growth when headed (5).
13 Ignores girl's looks (10).
16 Walk by the sea pleased an invalid (9).
17 English fashion in catalogue is an example to copy (4,5).
19 Strive in order to secure one's come back (7).
21 Monarch with retinue going round country (7).
22 Provide funds for daughter old enough to comprehend (5).
23 Worsted Russian (5).
25 Absence of line in fashion causes irritation to viewer (4).

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KNOCKANDO

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 19,309 will appear next Saturday. The five winners will receive a bottle of Knockando, a superb Speyside Single Malt Scotch whisky and a stationery rack

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WEATHER

Most of England and Wales will have a mainly cloudy morning, with some showers mainly over eastern England and South-West. Brighter weather will spread from west. Many places will have a fine end to the day. Southwest Scotland and Northern Ireland will have a dry day with sunshine at times. Northern and eastern Scotland will have sunny spells and showers. Outlook: mostly dry tomorrow, rain likely in North on Wednesday.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

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Beirut	29	84	s	Nairobi	19	66	s
Belgrade	33	91	s	Naples	30	86	s
Berlin	29	84	s	N Delhi	34	93	s
Bermuda*	30	86	f	N York*	26	82	s
Biarritz	20	68	f	Nice	28	82	s
Borde'x	24	75	f	Oslo	15	59	s
Brussels	22	72	f	Paris	20	68	f
Budapest	32	90	s	Peking	28	82	s
B Aires*	23	73	s	Perth (aus)	15	59	r
Cairo	34	93	s	Prague	30	86	s
Cape Tn	37	81	s	Reykjavik	10	50	s
Chicago*	30	86	f	Rhodes	28	82	s
Ch'church	7	45	r	Rio de J	19	66	f
Cologne	21	70	s	Rio de J	20	68	f
C'phagn	20	68	f	Riyadh	40	104	s
Corfu	32	90	s	Rome	28	82	s
Dublin	15	59	f	Salzburg	29	84	s
Dubrovnik	31	88	s	S F'cisco*	19	66	s
Faro	27	81	s	Santiago*	9	48	f
Florence	34	93	s	S Paulo*	17	63	c
Frankfurt	26	79	f	Seoul	24	75	f
Funchal	23	73	f	Sing'por	33	91	s
Geneva	27	81	s	St'kholm	19	66	f
Gibraltar	27	81	s	Strasb'rg	28	82	f
Helsinki	20	68	s	Sydney	22	72	c
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Jeddah	39	102	s	Tokyo	29	84	f
Jo'burg*	18	64	s	Toronto*	30	86	s
Karachi	-	-	-	Tunis	35	95	s
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Le Toquet	20	68	f	Vanc'ver*	17	63	f
Lisbon	24	75	s	Venice	30	86	s
Locarno	25	77	f	Vienna	31	88	s
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Luxembg	19	66	c	Wash'ton*	32	90	f
Luxor	38	100	s	Wel'ngton	10	50	c
Madrid	26	82	s	Zurich	25	79	s

* denotes figures are latest available

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Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 22C (72F); min 6pm to 6am, 15C (59F). Humidity: 6pm, 54 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, trace. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 6.7hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1,014.8 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Saturday: Highest day temp: Heathrow airport, 26C (79F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, 13C (55F); highest rainfall: Belfast airport, 0.58in; highest sunshine: London weather centre, 12.2hr.

WINDSOR

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 18C (64F); min 6pm to 6am, 12C (54F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.37in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 1.9hr.

GLASGOW

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 18C (64F); min 6pm to 6am,7C (45F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.12. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 9.2hr.

UK TOWNS

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	-	0.39	16	61	rain
Anglesey	7.0	-	18	64	sunny
Aviemore	1.1	0.09	16	61	shower
Belfast	-	0.58	16	61	rain
Birmingham	7.8	-	23	73	shower
Bognor Regis	10.6	-	23	73	sunny
Bournemouth	10.4	-	25	77	sunny
Bristol	6.8	-	25	77	shower
Buxton	7.1	-	20	68	bright
Cardiff	5.3	-	21	70	bright
Clacton	9.3	-	20	68	sunny
Colwyn Bay	8.7	-	18	64	bright
Cromer	10.2	-	21	70	sunny
Edinburgh	-	-	17	63	rain
Eskdalemuir	0.4	0.18	13	55	shower
Falmouth	8.6	-	20	68	sunny
Folkestone	10.9	-	23	73	sunny
Glasgow	-	0.02	15	59	rain
Guernsey	9.9	-	23	73	sunny
Hastings	9.8	-	23	73	sunny
Isle of Man	-	0.09	15	59	rain
Jersey	9.6	-	23	73	sunny
Kinloss	1.3	-	19	66	cloudy
Leeds	7.7	-	22	72	bright
Lerwick	3.9	-	15	59	bright
Liverpool	6.5	-	20	68	bright
London	12.2	-	25	77	sunny
Lowestoft	9.6	-	20	68	sunny
Manchester	7.0	-	20	68	bright
Margate	10.4	-	21	70	sunny
Minehead	X	-	21	70	bright
Morecambe	5.1	-	19	66	sunny
Newcastle	7.3	-	20	68	bright
Newquay	10.1	-	19	66	sunny
Penzance	10.0	-	21	70	sunny
Plymouth	10.8	-	22	72	sunny
Poole	10.4	-	24	75	sunny
Salcombe	10.7	0.04	19	66	sunny
Sandown	10.9	-	21	70	sunny
Saunton Snd	7.2	-	19	66	sunny
Scilly Isles	6.4	-	20	68	shower
Shanklin	11.1	-	20	68	sunny
Southend	10.5	-	23	73	sunny
Southsea	11.2	-	23	73	sunny
Stornoway	1.5	0.20	16	61	cloudy
Swanage	10.4	-	20	68	sunny
Teignmouth	9.9	-	20	68	sunny
Tenby	8.2	-	19	66	bright
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Torquay	10.9	-	20	68	sunny
Weymouth	9.9	-	20	68	sunny

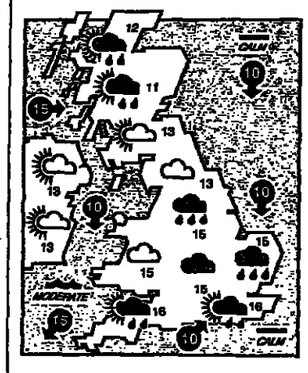
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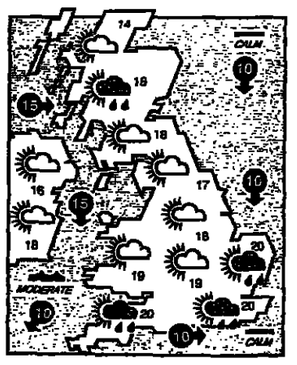
	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.28	2.06
Austria Sch	18.70	52.30
Belgium Fr	56.70	52.30
Canada $	2.047	1.887
Cyprus Cypf	0.79	0.74
Denmark Kr	10.93	10.13
Finland Mkk	9.22	8.470
France Fr	9.30	8.60
Germany Dm	2.86	2.45
Greece Dr	365.00	340.00
Hong Kong $	12.02	11.02
Ireland Pt	1.12	1.04
Italy Lira	2485.00	2310.00
Japan Yen	168.50	149.00
Netherlands Gld	2.88	2.760
Norway Kr	11.51	10.71
Portugal Esc	288.50	250.00
South Africa Rd	5.85	4.95
Spain Pta	215.50	201.50
Sweden Kr	12.50	11.70
Switzerland Fr	2.35	2.17
Turkey Lira	17500.0	16500.
USA $	1.58	1.490

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading Friday.

AM



PM



LIGHTING-UP TIMES

London 8.51 pm to 5.18 am
Bristol 9.01 pm to 5.27 am
Edinburgh 8.17 pm to 5.16 am
Manchester 9.05 pm to 5.20 am
Penzance 9.09 pm to 5.43 am

Sun rises: 5.48 am
Sun sets: 8.21 pm
Moon rises 4.04 am
Moon sets 7.13 pm
New Moon tomorrow

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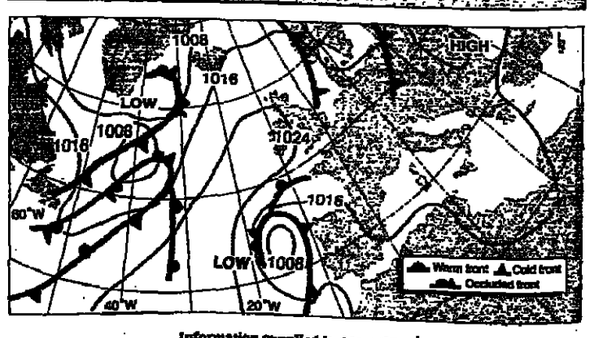
Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	15	59	f	Guernsey	17	63	c
B'mngham	17	63	c	Inverness	15	59	f
Blackpool	15	59	f	Jersey	19	66	f
Bristol	19	66	c	London	21	70	f
Cardiff	20	68	s	M'nchster	17	63	c
Edinburgh	15	59	c	Newcastle	17	63	f
Glasgow	17	63	s	R'mldsway	16	61	s

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	1.01	6.3	1.31	6.5	Liverpool	10.52	8.7	11 13	9.2
Aberdeen	12.30	3.9	1.05	4.0	Lowestoft	8.45	2.3	9.31	2.2
Avonmouth	6.42	12.0	7.04	12.6	Margate	11.34	4.5	—	—
Belfast	10.38	3.1	10.53	3.4	Milford Haven	5.45	6.3	6.05	6.6
Cardiff	6.27	11.2	6.49	11.7	Newquay	4.38	6.3	4 57	6.7
Devonport	—	—	—	—	Oban	—	—	—	—
Dover	10.41	6.2	10.56	6.3	Penzance	4.28	4.8	4.45	5.3
Falmouth	4.57	4.6	5.15	5.0	Portland	—	—	—	—
Glasgow	12.09	4.5	12.53	4.3	Portsmouth	—	—	—	—
Harwich	11.26	3.7	11.55	3.8	Shoreham	10 50	5 8	11 09	6.0
Holyhead	10 01	5.1	10.18	5.5	Southampton	10.43	4.3	10.51	4.4
Hull	5.48	8.7	6.22	8.9	Swansea	5.57	8.5	6.18	9.0
Ilfracombe	5.33	8.3	5.52	8.7	Tees	3 08	5.0	3.37	5.1
King's Lynn	5.57	5.9	6.32	6.1	Wilton-on-Nze	11.20	3.9	11.46	4.0
Leith	1.43	5.1	2.20	5.1					

NOON TODAY



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Briton one hundredth of a second outside Lewis's world record

Christie sprints to world glory

FROM DAVID POWELL IN STUTTGART

RAISING himself to a pitch of achievement greater even than his Olympic victory last year, Linford Christie last night won the 100 metres title at the World championships here.

He ended a run of three successive victories for Carl Lewis, defeated the top American of the moment, Andre Cason, but more significantly came within a hundredth of a second of Lewis's world record.

Christie, 33, is now in possession of a grand slam of titles — world, Olympic, Commonwealth and European. His winning time, 9.87 seconds, was 0.05 seconds faster than his European record which he set in finishing fourth at these championships two years ago, when Lewis set the present world record of 9.86.

Cason, running his third personal best of the championships, took the silver medal in 9.92, and Dennis Mitchell the perennial third man, claimed the bronze in 9.99. Lewis, fourth in 10.02, thus lost to Christie for the third successive time this season.

Only Mitchell had a better start than Christie and Cason, most significantly because of his renowned fast start, had the slowest. It was a handicap from which the diminutive American was unable to recover from.

Christie gained the lost ground on Mitchell almost immediately and by 70 metres it was Cason who was looking his nearest challenger. Effectively, though, it was Christie's race by this point and the last 30 metres was something of a glory run.

Cason who had described the Olympic final as "kinda soft" because he was not in it, now made his peace with Christie in defeat. Christie, upset by the remarks, responded to Cason's offer of an embrace by embracing him back.

"I wanted to concentrate on a great start," Cason said. "Linford was the best competitor today. He did what he was supposed to do."

Even before the grand prix in Zurich a fortnight ago, the most important competition before this one, Cason had said it would be no psychological disadvantage for him to be beaten there. He could not have expected, though, to have finished as low as fifth behind, in order, Leroy Burrell, Christie, John Drummond, and Lewis.

Burrell and Drummond failed to qualify for the United States team through their sudden-death trials, as Lewis had for the event at the Olympic Games last year.

The sooner the system is changed to ensure that all the best athletes of the moment are present the better. That means paying prize-money and leaving wild-card places, as Lewis has suggested, for those of proven worth.

There were nine athletes outside 11 seconds in the first round but Burrell, who ran 9.88sec to finish second to Lewis in the last world championships, was unable to command a starting place.

Cason has proved beyond doubt this year that his best distance is not 60 metres. He won the world indoor title two years ago but has insisted since then that he could hold form over 100 metres.

He demonstrated as much in his national trials, which he won, and through the qualifying races here, in which he recorded the fastest time in each of the three rounds before the final, 10.09 seconds, 9.96 and 9.94, the last two being legal personal bests.

Christie, beaten only once all season, was clearly satisfied with his work in getting there, clocking 10.24, 10.00 and 9.97. His semi-final performance was his fastest of the season and, after it, he left the changing area under the stadium in ebullient mood.

Seeing the words "Turn it on" displayed on his T-shirt, someone shouted the message to him. He smiled, acknowledging the encouragement; or, perhaps in view of what was to come, it was a knowing smile.

By contrast, Mitchell, who had finished runner-up to Christie in the second semi-final, brushed aside a request from a US team press officer for a quote to pass on to the American media.

Cason, too, was determined not to be side-tracked but Lewis, professional to the end, managed three quick television interviews in between coming up the track and making his exit through the tunnel.

If he is not being paid to compete in and promote these championships, as has been reported but denied by the International Amateur Athletic Federation, it was a free service of extraordinary generosity.

"Cason has been flying through the rounds but I did not want to work myself up too much," Christie said. "I had to concentrate on getting a good start. I knew I had to be out before Cason and before the 'b' in bang I was out."

In the men's 400 metres Michael Johnson and Butch Reynolds came through the second round as the fastest qualifiers and in the women's 800 metres, Diane Modahl, of Britain, reached the final, although her compatriot, Kelly Holmes, ran faster in a quicker semi-final but failed to progress.

Heike Dreschler, the Olympic champion and world champion at the age of 18 in 1983, won the women's long jump with a fourth jump of 7.11 metres and once again displayed her remarkable consistency with three other jumps over seven metres — 7.10 and 7.09 twice.

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Victory salute: Christie takes the plaudits on his way to a grand slam of 100 metres titles

Taking fastest route to all the top titles

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

LINFORD Christie last night became the only man in history to hold all the available 100 metres titles when he won the world championship in Stuttgart in 9.87sec, the second-fastest recognised time ever.

"It's the happiest day of my life," the 33-year-old Briton said after adding the world championship to his Olympic, European and Commonwealth titles. His time was a European record and one-hundredth of a second slower than the world record.

Doubts had been cast on Christie's rights to the Olympic title, won in Barcelona last year, by the absence of Carl Lewis, the world record-holder, and Andre Cason. But both Americans were beaten by Christie last night.

Cason, the American champion, was the favourite for the final, having run 9.94sec — the fastest time this year and two-hundredths of a second slower than Christie's personal best — in the semi-finals yesterday afternoon. Lewis was the winner of the 100 metres at the two previous world championships, including in 1987, when he finished second to Ben Johnson, who was subsequently stripped of that title for drugs offences. Johnson twice ran faster than Lewis's world record but his times were expunged.

It was in Stuttgart seven years ago that Christie made his breakthrough as a world-class sprinter, winning the European championship, which he retained three years ago in Split. Since then, he has also retained the Commonwealth 100 metres title and last year won the Olympic gold medal.

Fastest 100 metres times in history

9.86sec	C Lewis (US)	1991
9.87	L Christie (GB)	1993
9.88	L Burrell (US)	1991
9.90	L Burrell (US)	1991
9.91	D Mitchell (US)	1991
9.92	C Lewis (US)	1988
9.92	L Christie (GB)	1991
9.92	A Cason (US)	1993

Ferguson hails Robson after victory

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

ALEX Ferguson, the Manchester United manager, paid tribute to the endurance of Bryan Robson after his team began their championship defence with a 2-0 win over Norwich City at Carrow Road yesterday.

Robson, 36, only in the team because of Eric Cantona's knee injury, gave an inspirational performance and scored a superb second goal after Ryan Giggs had opened United's account.

Robson formed a formidable midfield partnership with Roy Keane and Paul Ince and Ferguson said if Cantona is fit for the home match with Sheffield United he will face a dilemma.

Ferguson said: "Bryan was marvellous out there today; he is just so defiant. He's not going to give in or accept the fact that anyone could possibly take his place. He's not as fast as he was but his tackles and his goal made him our outstanding performer."

The manager added: "He is unbelievable. It's nothing to do with trying to prove himself, it's just his nature. He even cheats at cards — he's just a winner.

"We're delighted with the result, considering we lost our first game last season."

The Norwich manager, Mike Walker, defended his decision to play a sweeper in a defensive formation for most of the match.

Walker said: "United were the better side. They were a yard quicker to the ball. I was disappointed with the first goal — it was very scrappy. I think we can improve on that and we will be using the same system when we have to.

"I don't think it would have made any difference what system we played today. But it is only one game — and it is no disgrace to lose to United."

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Watson and Wadkins find some inspiration

FROM JOHN HOPKINS
GOLF CORRESPONDENT
IN TOLEDO, OHIO

IT WAS a dream, perhaps an impossible one, but Ian Woosnam set out in yesterday's fourth round of the US PGA Championship at the Inverness Club, Toledo, believing that a nine-under par 62 would be good enough for him to win his second major championship. "I'll settle for 13 under par in the club house" Woosnam said jauntily as he prepared to tee off.

Woosnam, who was four under par after 54 holes and six strokes behind Greg Norman, the leader, was chasing a formidable group of leaders even if they were not quite as formidable as that which began the fourth day of the Open at Sandwich last month.

There were 17 men within four shots of the lead after a day of exceptional golf and four of them — Lanny Wadkins, Hale Irwin, Tom Watson and Norman — had won 14 major championships between them.

The surprise was that so many were playing so well. Was it the incentive of the forthcoming Ryder Cup, a coincidence or further indication that golf has moved to a new level following the remarkable scoring at the Open last month? Certainly it was a pleasure to see Wadkins, whose only victory in a major championship was in this event 16 years ago, and Watson, the Ryder Cup captain, playing so well.

Between them they rolled back the years. Wadkins had had three eagles in his last four rounds. Watson, having found a putter that worked, was playing better than he had done for years as he attempted to win the only major championship that has eluded him.

"I was so comfortable with the putter today it was almost scary," Watson said on Saturday, though this luxury was not evident at the start of the fourth round when he three-putted the opening hole.

It was a surprise for Woosnam to be playing so well. He and the heat do not normally mix. "It just kills me" Woosnam said. "Your body temperature rises and all of a sudden it just sort of explodes."

Yet he had been the soul of steadiness in his opening three rounds, scoring only three bogeys in his first two rounds and none at all on Saturday. Even his persistent whining about his putting was absent.

In the steamy heat yesterday morning Woosnam sped to the turn in 37, dropping strokes on the second and seventh hole. All around him the pressure was building up. Nick Faldo parred the first hole, rattling in a five-footer for his four to remain eight under par, and then parred the next two holes as well.

John Cook, who was born in Ohio, was the first of the leaders to make a move. He sank a putt of 20 feet on the first and then a snaking 15-foot downhiller on the third to move to nine under par and within one stroke of Norman.

Barry Lane's US PGA Championship ended, as did Jose Maria Olazábal's, in disappointment. Lane finished with a five over-par 76 for a four-round total of 294, ten over par. Olazábal's 71 was good enough to put him on 286, two over par and, briefly, the tournament leader.

Lane, who finished sixteenth in the US Open and thus earned himself a place in next year's US Masters, said he felt the biggest difference between playing in Europe and in the US was in the strokes required around the greens.

He had to learn a new stroke — one to dig the ball out of the thick grass that circled the greens at the Inverness club and he found it hard to do. "It's very difficult when you come here just for a week" Lane said.

If Lane found his journey to Ohio to have been worthwhile, this was in marked contrast to Olazábal.

Olazábal's erratic form must be giving concern to Bernard Gallacher, the European team captain in the forthcoming Ryder Cup. The partnership Olazábal has formed with Seve Ballesteros is certain to be a cornerstone of Gallacher's thinking. They have lost only one match since they were were first paired together at Muirfield Village in 1987.

Lane is a certainty for The Belfry in September but Olazábal, who remains ninth in the Ryder Cup points table after the conclusion of yesterday's Austrian Open, seems certain to be overtaken before Gallacher selects his team at the end of this month.

Sandy Lyle, who has played so little this year (he has been in semi-retirement) was found out by his lack of practice at the highest level. His 74 gave him a four-round total of 286, two over par, and at the moment he finished he was 13 strokes behind the leader.

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US unless stated
203: G Norman (Aus), 68, 66, 67. 204: H Irwin, 68, 69, 67; B Estes, 69, 68, 69; P Azinger, 69, 68, 69; T Watson, 69, 65, 70; V Singh (Fij), 68, 63, 73; L Wadkins, 65, 68, 71. 205: B Faxon, 70, 70, 65; N Faldo (GB), 68, 68, 69; D Hart, 68, 68, 71; S Simpson, 64, 70, 71. 206: J Cook, 72, 66, 68. 207: J Ozaki (Japan), 73, 68, 66; G Hallberg, 70, 69, 68; J McGovern, 71, 67, 69; P Mickelson, 67, 71, 69; J Haas, 69, 68, 70; S Elkington (Aus), 67, 68, 74. 208: W Levi, 69, 73, 66; RI Zokol (Can), 66, 71, 71; E Romero (Arg), 67, 67, 74.
209: N Henke, 72, 70, 67, I Woosnam (GB), 70, 71, 68; G Twiggs, 70, 69, 70; P Senior (Aus), 69, 70, 70; L Janzen, 70, 68, 71; F Couples, 70, 68, 71; F Nobilo (NZ), 69, 68, 74. 210: S Hoch, 74, 68, 68; H Green, 70, 71, 69; L Roberts, 67, 67, 76; B Fleisher, 68, 74, 67. 211: C Parry (Aus), 70, 73, 68; M Standly, 72, 71, 68; D Hammond, 73, 70, 68, B Mayfair, 68, 73, 70; H Sutton, 69, 72, 70; P Stewart, 71, 70, 70; F Allem (SA), 70, 71, 70; M Hulbert, 67, 72, 72. 212: A Lyle (GB), 68, 73, 70; D Forsman, 67, 76, 70; G Sauers, 68, 74, 70; I Baker-Finch (Aus), 73, 69, 70, Tom Wargo, 71, 70, 71; Jeff Maggert, 72, 69, 71; Nick Price (Zim), 74, 66, 72; J Daly, 71, 68, 73; J Huston, 68, 69, 75; P Jacobsen, 71, 67, 74. 213: R Cochran, 69, 74, 70; F Zoeller, 72, 70, 71; T Kite, 73, 69, 71; R Fehr, 70, 71, 72; B Crenshaw, 70, 70, 73.
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Olympic aura carries hefty weight in financial debate



DAVID MILLER
In Stuttgart

The key to solving the prize-money dispute between athletes and the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) is, in the opinion of Brad Hunt, one of the foremost athlete-managers, to separate the Olympic Games from the world championships in the general debate.

It is essential that Primo Nebiolo and the IAAF collaborate in avoiding the split between federation and competitors that damagingly occurred in tennis 20 years ago. With professionalism established, *the IAAF cannot afford not to* consult the athletes, for the protection of both sides.

Unless there is a solution in the next 12 months, Hunt — whose management company handles such champions as Powell, Johnson, O'Brien, Reynolds, Torrence, Bile, Conley and Everitt — forecasts that the boycott threatened a year ago for Stuttgart will take place at the Gothenburg championships in 1995. "The only strengths we have is to say 'we're not doing it'," Hunt said yesterday. "At present, we don't even have a forum."

Hunt considers that the International Association of Athletes Representatives (IAAR), led at that time by Tom Jennings, was heading down the wrong road when last year it included, in its demand for more than $7 million prize-money for Stuttgart, comparable suggestions for the Olympic Games.

"That was crazy, and we did the competitors a disservice," Hunt admits, having backed off from his own threat that there would be a Stuttgart boycott. "The IAAR came in with a huge prize-money figure, on the tactics of 'If we ask for this, we'll settle for half of it'. We're not bazaar hagglers. I want a stated position I can legitimately support, but not including the Olympics. I want the Olympics to be different and so do the athletes."

Hunt's negotiating basis would be that the genesis of the world championships was commercial opportunism, helping to create huge television fees: and that the participants, athletes and national federations, should equally debate the division of the money. At present, the IAAF refuses any dealing with agents. Hunt accuses Nebiolo of using refusal of prize-money as a presidential re-election issue with smaller nations who have no professionals and are not really involved.

As professionals, Hunt argues, the athletes should have fair reward, following agreement with the IAAF on what is a reasonable percentage share of the budget over a four-year period. He cites the example of satisfactory working relationships with the NBA and NFL in the United States, where there is a fluctuating profit-sharing deal. "There is no guarantee that the competitors' share keeps rising," he said.

The NBA and NFL are, of course, wholly professional — with admittedly exaggerated salaries — whereas the IAAF has responsibility for the maintenance and development of the sport at all levels throughout the world.

Nonetheless, an accommodation of the professionals is essential unless there is to be a damaging rift in which the IAAF loses control of the top end of the sport. The trump card for the IAAF is the Olympic Games, in the same way that the grand slam tournaments of Melbourne, Paris, Wimbledon and New York were for the International Tennis Federation. The desire of competitors for Olympic involvement can help the IAAF to keep the competitors at least partially in line when negotiating on the world championships. But the IAAF needs to be proactive, not re-active.

"Over two decades, the Olympics have seen dramatic changes," Hunt says, "but around the world, competitors in all sports still see the Olympics having an idealism that should be protected. The world championships are something different. The athletes themselves, not managers, should be directly involved, not just in what respective prize-money should be given for the championships, for the grand prix and so on, equally in all events, but on the frequency of competition. If the IAAF wishes to double the work [with biennial championships] let the athletes become part of the discussion. The way the sport goes will be accomplished by the athletes, not by managers. We're surrogates."

Hunt agrees that prize-money in the championships should be at a rational level, with no differentiation between the star attractions, such as the 100 metres and 1,500 metres, and that the big money by elite athletes should come from deals separately made at the grand prix and other meetings.

Aggressive Lunn clinches Open in style

BY PATRICIA DAVIES

AUSTRALIANS have enjoyed a golden summer in England and Karen Lunn maintained Antipodean ascendancy with an emphatic victory in the Weetabix Women's British Open at Woburn yesterday.

Lunn, 27, a long hitter from Sydney, is a gentle soul but she showed no mercy for the oppositon as she powered her way to the first prize of £50,000 with a six-under-par round of 67 for a total of 275, 17 under par, eight strokes ahead of Brandie Burton, of the United States.

Kathryn Marshall, from Scotland, was third on 286 and tied for fourth, a shot further back, were Li Wen-Lin, of Taiwan, and Jane Geddes, the American who won the title in 1989. She finished with a 64, a course and championship record, that featured ten birdies and an eagle.

Neither the Australian cricket team nor Greg Norman have won in more style than Lunn and an Australian Open double was a foregone conclusion long before she reached the 18th hole. She confessed to feeling a little nervous as she took her two-iron off the tee but said: "I didn't want to mess up the last. I wanted to enjoy it. Walking down the 18th was unbelievable." Laura Davies counselled Lunn that a five-shot lead — which is what she had in hand over Burton and Marshall after three rounds — was not impregnable and the Australian set out to play aggressively.

She and Marshall, her playing partner, birdied the 4th but Burton had birdies at the 5th and 6th to close the gap to four shots. However, Lunn hit two two-irons to 30 feet at the 436-yard 6th and rolled in the putt for an eagle three.

Lunn did drop a shot at the short 8th and had to hole an eight-foot putt for par at the next. That steadied any nerves and birdies at the next two holes tightened her grip on the championship.

Lunn heaped tributes on her coach, Lawrence Farmer, the professional at Moor Park. He, Davies and Lunn's sister, Mardi — a tireless supporter — saw her through the low period just over a year ago, when she felt she was getting nowhere and was set to return home to Australia.

Yesterday, in England, they all enjoyed her moment in the sun.

SCORES

FINAL-ROUND LEADERS (GB and Ire unless stated): 275: K Lunn (Aus), 71, 69, 68, 67. 283: B Burton (US), 75, 70, 68, 70. 286: K Marshall, 73, 71, 69, 73. 287: J Geddes (US), 76, 75, 72, 64; LI Wen-Lin (Tai), 70, 71, 74, 72. 289: P Sheehan (US), 75, 70, 72, 72. 290: M-L de Lorenzi (Fr), 73, 77, 72, 68; L Davies, 69, 76, 75, 70; C Nilsmark (Swe), 76, 71, 74, 69. S Strudwick, 72, 71, 73, 74. 291: A Nicholas, 74, 73, 70, 74. 293: D Reid, 76, 75, 74, 68; T Johnson, 72, 75, 77, 69; H Almdsson (Swe), 77, 71, 74, 71; C Hjalmarsson (Swe), 77, 74, 68, 74. 294: S Gronberg (Swe), 76, 70, 79, 69; K Orum (Den), 75, 72, 73, 74. S Gautray (Aus), 76, 75, 69, 74. 295: C Duffy, 75, 76, 71, 73; R Hast, 77, 71, 72, 75.

Murray and O'Sullivan face Chinese might

FROM DAVID POWELL
ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT
STUTTGART



Golden smile: Junko Asari, of Japan, raises her arms in triumph after winning the women's marathon at the world athletics championships in Stuttgart yesterday

YVONNE Murray, who considered retirement after the Olympic Games last year, tonight seeks to atone for successive failures at world championships and Olympics by winning the 3,000 metres here in the Gottlieb-Daimler stadium.

The prize for the winner extends beyond a gold medal, a Mercedes, fame and increased bargaining strength for sponsorship deals, to that of being a permanent world champion: this is the last time the 3,000 metres will be run as a world championship.

From the next championships, in 1995, the women's intermediate distance will be 5,000 metres. Murray, the world indoor champion, has a chance, but is something of an outsider compared to Sonia O'Sullivan, from Ireland, and the three Chinese, Linli Zhang, Yunxia Qu and Lirong Zhang. Yelena Romanova, the Olympic champion, from Russia, completes a group of six main contenders.

While the Chinese have kept themselves to themselves and Romanova has raced sparingly, Murray and O'Sullivan have been running the fastest times in the world for five years. O'Sullivan has won all three of her races, twice just outside 8min 30sec and 8:28.74 in Oslo last month with Murray less than two seconds behind.

Victory for O'Sullivan would give Ireland its first women's medal-winner in track and field at either a world championships or an Olympics. Having run under four minutes for 1,500 metres in Monte Carlo nine days ago, she clearly has the speed.

Home is Cobh, where Roy Keane began his football career. At the moment O'Sullivan, and not the Manchester United footballer, is the best known face in Irish sport, a poster of her appearing in almost every town, popping out of a can of beans. Will it be Heinz tonight, or a Chinese takeaway? Or, if neither, perhaps Murray.

Olympic bronze medal-winner in 1988, and European champion two years later, Murray was tenth in the 1991 world championships and eighth in the 1992 Olympics. "I came very near the edge and was thinking of giving up," she said. "I had climbed up steadily and reached gold. But, when I got there, I did not handle success very well."

Her private life went through a difficult time, but now she is in a stable relationship with a new boyfriend and seems less care-worn. Her victory in the world indoor championships in Toronto in March helped to rebuild her confidence.

Confidence, or rather the lack of it, was the thing worrying Rob Denmark before the heats of the 5,000 metres heats on Saturday. "I have been in such a negative frame of mind," he said after reaching tonight's final. Winning his heat has made him feel better.

Denmark had been enjoying a fine season, including winning at the European Cup, until he was heavily beaten by a group of Africans in a grand prix at Crystal Palace three weeks ago.

On Saturday, he was drawn in a difficult heat, lost contact when boxed in 250 metres from home, but sprinted impressively to win. "I mucked up but I did not panic," he said. Four of the five Africans who beat him at Crystal Palace have reached the final, together with Khalid Skah, the Olympic 10,000 metres champion. "I am not going to win it but I have got an outside chance of a medal," Denmark said.

Steve Backley, whose shoulder and adductor muscle injuries have restricted him to one competition this season before coming here, reached the final of javelin, to be held today. The adductor is still bothering him but he hopes one big throw will earn him a medal. Mick Hill was the better of the two British qualifiers and has an outside chance for a medal.

TIMETABLE

(all times BST)
09.00: Heptathlon 100m hurdles (w)
Discus qual group 1 (m)
09.40: 400m hurdles 1st rd (w)
10.00: Heptathlon high jump (w)
10.30: 400m hurdles 1st rd (m)
10.45: Discus qual group 2 (m)
17.00: Heptathlon shot put (w)
17.50: 100m semi-finals (w)
18.00: Triple jump final (m)
18.20: 400m semi-finals (m)
18.30: Javelin final (m)
18.40: 400m semi-finals (w)
19.00: 3000m final (w)
19.20: 5000m final (m)
19.45: 100m final (w)
20.00: Heptathlon 200m (w)

Plaatjes makes escape to victory

FROM DAVID POWELL

JUST as Mark Plaatjes was about to leave the stadium in Stuttgart on Saturday, three hours after winning the marathon at the world championships, there was a moment of panic. He was asked to show his medal and, endeavouring to oblige, ran his fingers around his neck to find the ribbon, but the medal was not there. The panic passed when he remembered he had put it in his bag.

It was a cameo of Plaatjes's life of uncertainty. Born a South African, and running his best marathons at a time when his country was banned from international sport, he could never be sure that the day would come when he might appear in an international championship; there were occasions, too, when he wondered whether he would live past his next run.

During a state of emergency in South Africa in the 1980s, two of his colleagues became targets while out running, one hit by a truck, the other shot in the leg. "People were being killed left, right and centre," he said.

Plaatjes, a coloured runner, had refused to toe the line of the South African Council of Sport, the radical mixed-race body favouring the retention of sanctions and, while training near Soweto, he and a partner were chased by a gang which threatened to "necklace" them — put a rubber tyre around them, douse them in petrol and set them on fire. It was national strike day and the mob had mistaken them for strike-breakers. "We probably ran a 3:30 mile to get away," Plaatjes said.

As his reputation as an athlete grew — he was South African marathon champion twice — the greater the risks became. "My mother and my wife received threats saying they were going to find me," Plaatjes said. "They said I should not compete in a white athletic union."

Plaatjes resolved to leave. He was granted asylum in the United States based on threats to his life.

Obtaining citizenship took five years and was not confirmed until three weeks ago. Timing his run for the finish just as late, Plaatjes, 31, passed the long-time leader, Lucketz Swartbooi, of Namibia, within the last mile to win in 2hr 13min 57sec on a hot and humid day.

Once, when Plaatjes tried to enter the Boston marathon, he was rejected because he was South African. Now he is the first US marathon runner since Frank Shorter won at the 1972 Olympics to secure a global title. The good days are back for the country which started the running boom but which, three years ago, reached its nadir.

So weak had US men's marathon running become that, at the 1990 New York marathon, race officials were seen thumbing through a phone book trying to discover who the first American was. They were attempting to contact a 2hr 22min finisher with a Brooklyn address, thinking it might be him, only to discover he was Egyptian. The first American followed four minutes later. But for Plaatjes, the US would have been waiting even longer on Saturday, their next man finishing 33rd in 2hr 29min.

Rafferty's wait ends in Vienna

RONAN Rafferty won for the first time for 17 months when he beat Anders Sorensen, of Denmark, at the first extra hole of a sudden death play-off in the Austrian Open golf tournament in Vienna yesterday.

It was the Irishman's first victory since he won the Portuguese Open in March last year. He trailed Sorensen by four shots after ten holes of the final round, the Dane holing from 150 yards for an eagle two at the 448-yard 10th.

Both Rafferty and Sorensen finished on 274, 14 under par. At the play-off on the 417-yard 1st, both men were four feet from the flag in three and the referee had to measure the putts to see which man should play first.

Sorensen was furthest from the hole and missed his putt, before Rafferty rolled his in to claim the £41,660 first prize. Rafferty's victory lifted him to 15th place in the Ryder Cup points table, less than 34,000 behind José-María Olazábal in ninth place.

EUROPEAN RYDER CUP POSITIONS (GB and Ireland unless stated): 1, N Faldo 513,022.50, 2 C Montgomerie 451,988.06; 3 B Langer (Ger) 412,108.98, 4 B Lane 385,722.75; 5 M James 338,805.06, 6 S Torrance 326,922.20; 7 C Rocca (Ita/y) 304,597.25, 8 P Baker 299,279.17; 9 J-M Olazabal (Spain) 282,488.14; 10 I Woosnam 274,938.12, 11 A Forsbrand (Swe) 261,223.29; 12 J Haeggman (Swe) 256,576.76; 13 P Broadhurst, 254,834.34, 14 M Roe 254,105.74; 15 R Rafferty 248,875.99, 16 S Richardson 244,213.74; 17 J Spence 242,343.31; 18 G Brand jnr 230,143.83; 19 D Gilford 218,018.57; 20 J Parnevik (Swe) 216,482.65.

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RESULTS FROM STUTTGART

Men

100 metres

First round

WINNERS: Heat one: D Mitchell (US), 10.28sec. Heat two: F Fredericks (Nam), 10.22. Heat three: L Christie (GB), 10.24. Heat four: B Surin (Can), 10.23. Heat five: A Cason (US), 10.09. Heat six: C Lewis (US), 10.15. Heat seven: D Effiong (Nigeria), 10.23. Heat eight: R Stewart (Jam), 10.23. Heat nine: R Esmie (Can), 10.30. British qualifier: J John, second in heat nine, 10.34.

Second round

WINNERS: Heat one: Lewis, 10.11; 3, John, 10.31. Heat two: Mitchell, 10.08. Heat three: Christie, 10.00. Heat four: Cason, 9.96.

Semi-finals

First four in each heat qualify for final

HEAT ONE: 1, A Cason (US), 9.94; 2, D Effiong (Nigeria), 9.98; 3, C Lewis (US), 10.02. 4, F Fredericks (Namibia), 10.05; 5, A Mahorn (Can), 10.21; 6, J John (GB), 10.34, 7, A Tarzian (Gre), 10.36; 8, S Inoue (Japan), 10.39.
HEAT TWO: 1, L Christie (GB), 9.97; 2, D Mitchell (US), 10.06; 3, B Surin (Can), 10.07, 4, R Stewart (Jam), 10.16; 5, A Porkhomovskiy (Russ), 10.20; 6, E Tuffour (Ghana), 10.23; 7, R Esmie (Can), 10.23; 8, O Loum (Sen) 10.60.

400 metres

First round

WINNERS: Heat one: M Johnson (US), 45.60sec, 5 D Ladejo (GB), 46.17. Heat two: J-L Raproult (Fr), 45.63. Heat three: S Bada (Nigeria), 45.96. Heat four: S Kamboi (Ken), 45.91. Heat five: B Reynolds (US), 45.34; 4, A Mate (GB), 46.25. Heat six: S Kitur (Ken), 45.71.

800 metres

First round

First three in each heat plus six fastest overall qualify to semi-finals

WINNERS: Heat one: H Sepeng (SA), 1min 46.27sec. Heat two: J Barbosa (Br), 1:46.12. Heat three: A Douglas (Nor), 1:46.43. Heat four: K Osei (Ghana), 1:46.65, 2, C Robb (GB), 1:46.29. Heat five: G D'Urso (It), 1:48.79, 2, T McKean (GB), 1:48.79. Heat six: M Heads (Mor), 1:46.35; 3, M Steele (GB), 1:46.47.

5,000 metres

Heats

First four in each heat plus three fastest losers overall qualify for final

WINNERS: Heat one: R Denmark (GB), 13min 41.55sec. Heat two: W Biksa (Eth), 13:27.14. Heat three: H Gebreselshie (Eth), 13:25.27. British non-qualifiers: J Nuttall, tenth in heat three, 14:11.30.

Marathon

1, M Plaatjes (US), 2:13.57; 2, L Swartbooi (Nam), 2:14.11; 3, B Van Visendaren (Holl), 2:15.12; 4, Kim Jae-ryong (S Kor), 2:17.14; 5, T Uchikoshi (Japan), 2:17.54; 6, K Dohter (Ger), 2:18.28; 7, B Maregchi (Ken), 2:18.32; 8, A Zhelankin (Rus), 2:19.22; 9, T Mansouri (Tun), 2:19.54; 10, P Maher (Can), 2:19.26; 11, S Robert Nsail (Tan), 2:19.30; 12, K Stanzel (Ger), 2:19.53; 13, S Jones (GB), 2:20.04; 14, Chang Ki-shik (S Kor), 2:20.40; 15, S Ermili (Mor), 2:22.17. British non-finishers: P Evans, D Lewis.

20 kilometres walk

1, V Massana (Sp), 1hr 22min 31sec, 2, G De Benedictis (It), 1:23.08; 3, Daniel Plaza (Spain), 1:23.18; 4, J Barroso (Sp), 1:23.41, 5, Y Misyulya (Belarus), 1:23.45; 6, S Galdino (Br), 1:23.52; 7, R Ihly (Ger), 1:24.21; 8, I Kollar (Slov), 1:24.23; 9, I Zamudio (Mex), 1:24.32; 10, S Urbanik (Hun), 1:24.40; 11, V Mostovik (Mold), 1:24.53; 12, A Di Mezza (It), 1:24.59; 13, J Muller (Pol), 1:25.24; 14, P Blazek (Slov), 1:25.31; 15, J Brosseau (Fr), 1:25.53; 16, J Probilinec (Slov), 1:26.11, 17, A James (US), 1:26.53; 18, V Andreyev (Russ), 1:27.01; 19, T Berrett (Can), 1:27.28, 20, S Johansson (Swe), 1:28.02.

Triple jump

Qualifying

17.10 metres or leading twelve overall qualify for final

Group one: 1, R Jaros (Ger), 17.16; 2, A Silva (Br), 17.05; 3, Y Quesada (Cuba), 17.02; 4, J Edwards (GB), 16.98; 5, S Helan (Fr), 16.97; 6, K Harrison (US), 16.95. Group two: 1, M Conley (US), 17.39; 2, L Voloshin (Russ), 17.34, 3, P Camara (Fr), 17.19; 4, D Kapustin (Russ), 17.09; 5, O Denishchik (Belarus), 16.88; 6, B Wellman (Ber), 16.87.

Hammer

Qualifying

76.50 metres or leading twelve overall qualify for final

QUALIFIERS: Group one: A Abduvaliyev (Taj), 77.22m; 2, A Selezynov (Russ), 77.12; 3, A Skvaryuk (Ukr), 76.54; 4, R Piolanti (Fr), 75.94; 5, S Alay (Belarus), 75.34; 6, V Sidorenko (Russ), 74.40. Group two: S Litvinov (Russ), 77.96, 2, T Gecsek (Hun), 77.82; 3, L Deal (US), 77.14; 4, I Astapkovich (Belarus), 76.82, 5, C Epalle (Fr), 74.74; 6, V Kolesnik (Ukr), 74.36. British non-qualifier: P Head, 13th in group two, 68.88.

Final

1, A Abduvaliyev (Taj), 81.64; 2, I Astapkovich (Belarus), 79.88; 3, T Gecsek (Hun), 79.54; 4, S Alay (Belarus), 79.02; 5, V Sidorenko (Russ), 78.86; 6, A Selezynov (Russ), 78.58; 7, S Litvinov (Russ), 78.56; 8, C Epalle (Fr), 76.22; 9, L Deal (US), 76.20; 10, R Piolanti (Fr), 75.68; 11, V Kolesnik (Ukr), 73.08. No mark recorded: A Skvaryuk (Ukr)

Javelin

Qualifying

81.0 metres or leading twelve overall qualify for final

QUALIFIERS: Group one: J Zelezny (Cz Rep), 83.22m; 2, A Pakannen (Fin), 83.06, 3, D Polyunin (Uzbek), 81.04; 4, M Hill (GB), 80.78; 5, K Kinnunen (Fin), 78.86; 6, P Boden (Swe), 78.34. Group two: T Pukstys (US), 79.84. 2, S Backley (GB), 79.64. 3, D Wennlund (Swe), 78.48; 4, T McHugh (Ire), 78.28; 5, V Sasimovich (Belarus), 78.24, 6, M Steigauf (Cz Rep), 78.10. British non-qualifier: Colin Mackenzie, 11th in group one, 75.34

Women

100 metres

First round

First four in each heat plus four fastest losers overall qualify for final

QUALIFIERS: Heat one 1, I Privalova (Russ), 11.36sec; 2, B McDonald (Jam), 11.37; 3, M Finn (US), 11.47; 4, M Nestoret (Fr), 11.56; 5, N'deye Binta Dia (Senegal), 11.60. Heat two: 1, P Pendareva (Bul), 11.41; 2, P Davis (Bahamas), 11.44 3, S Troger (Austria), 11.46; 4, Z Tamopolskaya (Ukr), 11.52. Heat three: 1, G Devers (US), 11.16; 2, E Vorster (SA), 11.31; 3, N Mitchell (Jam), 11.36; 4, V Jean-Charles (Fr), 11.46 Heat four: 1, M Gainsord (Aus), 11.32; 2, M Otey (Jam), 11.38; 3, L Jardim (Por), 11.47; 4, C Amaral (Br), 11.59. Heat five: 1, M Onyali (Nigeria), 11.23; 2, O Bogoslovskaya (Russ), 11.40; 3, W Huse-chen (Twn), 11.43; 4, J Poeman (Holl), 11.44; 5, D Dimitrova (Bul), 11.55; 6, P Mensah (Ghana), 11.59. Heat six: 1, N Voronova (Russ), 11.31; 2, L Allen (Cuba), 11.46; 3, G Nkoma (Cam), 11.67, 4, M Seymour (NZ), 11.68. Heat seven: 1, M Paschke (Ger), 11.31; 2, G Torrance (US), 11.43; 3, B Kinch (GB), 11.43; 4, S Hamesniemi (Fin), 11.44; 5, M Ferrer (Cuba), 11.50.

Second round

First four in each heat qualify for semi-finals

QUALIFIERS: Heat one: 1, G Torrance (US), 11.02. 2, N Mitchell (Jam), 11.23; 3, N Voronova (Russ), 11.29; 4, L Allen (Cuba), 11.30; 5, P Pendareva (Bul), 11.38; 6, J Poelman (Holl), 11.50; 7, N Binta Dia (Senegal), 11.60, 8, C Amaral (Br), 11.68. *Heat two: 1, M Onyali (Nigeria), 10.97, 2, I* Privalova (Russ), 11.14; 3, M Finn (US), 11.21; 4, B McDonald (Jam), 11.33; 5, S Hamesniemi (Fin), 11.40; 6, D Dimitrova (Bul), 11.45; 7, W Hua-chen (Twn), 11.54; 8, M Nestoret (Fr), 11.60. Heat three: 1, M Otey (Jam), 11.19; 2, M Paschke (Ger), 11.27; 3, P Davis (Bah), 11.27; 4, M Gainsford (Aus), 11.29; 5, M Ferrer (Cuba), 11.43; 6, L Jardim (Por), 11.50; 7, G Nkoma (Cam), 11.63, 8, M Seymour (NZ), 11.79 Heat four: 1, G Devers (US), 11.04, 2, E Vorster (SA), 11.24, 3, S Troger (Austria), 11.29; 4, Z Tamopolskaya (Ukr), 11.30; 5, O Bogoslovskaya (Russ), 11.32, 6, V Jean-Charles (Fr), 11.39; 7, B Kinch (GB), 11.40; 8, P Mensah (Ghana), 11.87.

400 metres

First round

First two in each heat plus six fastest losers overall qualify to semi-finals

WINNERS: Heat one: T Alekseyeva (Russ), 50.86. Heat two: N Kaleer-Brown (US), 51.80. Heat three: X Restrepo (Col), 51.59. Heat four: N Carabali (Col), 51.65. Heat five: J Miles (US), 51.24. British non-qualifier: L Keough (GB), third in heat two, 52.61.

800 metres

First round

WINNERS: Heat one: Liu Li (China) 1min 59.60sec. Heat two: T Paulino (Moz), 2 01 46; 2, K Holmes (GB), 2:01.70. Heat three: D Modahl (GB), 2:00.80. Heat four: E Kovacs (Rom), 2:01.36 Heat five: M Mutola (Moz), 1:59.81.

3,000 metres

Heats

First four in each heat plus three fastest losers overall qualify for final

QUALIFIERS: Heat one: Zhang Linli (China), 8min 46.85sec, 2, Y Murray (GB), 8:51.30 3, Y Romanova (Russ), 8:54.81; 4, E Kiplagat (Ken) 8:55 07; 5, L Zaituc (Rom), 8:55.55; 6, C Lokar (Ger) 8:55.98. Heat two: Qu Yunxia (China), 8:49.20; 2, L Borisova (Russ), 8:53.02; 3, A Peters (US), 8.51.67; 4, A Wyeth (GB), 8:51.89; 5, A Sandell (Fin), 8:54.75. Heat three: S O'Sullivan (Ire), 8:50.62; 2, G Griffiths (SA), 8:50 69; 3, Zhang Lirong (China), 8:51.75; 4, P Radcliffe (GB), 8:52.62.

Marathon

1, J Asari (Japan), 2hr 30min 09sec; 2, M Machado (Por), 2:30.54; 3, T Abe (Japan), 2:31.01; 4, R Burangulova (Russ), 2:33.03; 5, M Bidaigirova (Belarus), 2:34.36; 6, K Dorre (Ger), 2:35.20; 7, F Van Der Merwe (SA), 2:35 56; 8, K Jones (US), 2:36.33; 9, K Gradus (Pol), 2:36.46; 10, F Sultanova (Russ), 2:37.59; 11, A Matsuno (Japan), 2:38.04; 12, M Rebelo (Fr), 2:38.33; 13, A Rybicka (Pol), 2:39 44; 14, M Sutton (GB), 2:39.45; 15, J Nagy (Hun), 2:41.06. British placing: 18, K MacLeod, 2:41.46.

10 kilometres walk

1, S Essayah (Fin), 42min 59sec; 2, I Salvador (It), 43:08; 3, E Granados (Sp), 43:21; 4, E Perrone (It), 43:26; 5, B Anders (Ger), 43:29; 6, K Raczka (Pol), 43:33; 7, Y Nikolayeva (Rus), 43:47; 8, Y Sayko (Rus), 43:58; 9, A Sidot (It), 44:13; 10, M Rozsa (Hun), 44:17. British placings: 18, L Sheridan, 48:31; 23, V Lupton, 47:03; 29, V Larby, 47:54; 42, J Drake, 50:22; 47, P Williams, 55:24.

Long jump

Qualifying

6.70 metres or leading twelve overall qualify for final

QUALIFYING: Group one: Y Khlopotnova (Ukr), 6.83m; 2, S Tiedtke (Ger), 6.66; 3, L Ninova (Austria), 6.61; 4, M Dulgheru (Rom), 6.58; 5, Y Sinchukova (Russ), 6.52. Group two: L Bereshnaya (Ukr), 6.87; 2, H Drechsler (Ger), 6.70; 3, R Neilsen (Den), 6.61; 4, L Galkina (Russ), 6.60; 5, N Boegman (Aus), 6.59, 6, A Karczmarek (Pol), 6.48; 7, V Ucchedolu (It), 6.48. British non-qualifiers: F May, 6.42; J Wise, 6.20; Y Idowu, 6.30; T Horgan, 6.11.

Shot

Qualifying

Leading 12 overall qualify for final

QUALIFIERS: Group one: 1, Huang Zhihong (China), 19.36m; 2, S Mitkova (Bul), 19.16, 3, K Neimke (Ger), 19.11; 4, B Lazo (Cuba), 19.02; 5, L Peleshenko (Russ), 18.94. Group two: 1, S Krwelyova (Russ), 19.96; 2, A Kumbernauss (Ger), 19 92; 3, Sui Xinmei (China), 19.67; 4, S Storp (Ger), 19.38; 5, V Fedyushina (Ukr), 19.04; 6, Cong Yuzhen (China), 18.97; 7, R Pagel (US), 18.54. British non-qualifiers: M Auguee, 11th in pool B, 16.05.

☐ The American trio of Michael Johnson, Butch Reynolds and Quincy Watts dominated the second round of the men's 400 metres to whet the appetite before the final tomorrow. Johnson, unbeaten over the distance since 1988, enjoyed a big lead coming out of the final bend and allowed himself the luxury of easing up well before the line before winning his heat in 44.72sec.

☐ The gold medal in the men's 20km walk went to Valentin Massana, of Spain, but the race ended in several disqualifications. Daniel Garcia, of Mexico, who was second, was chased into the stadium by a judge who disqualified him for failing to maintain continuous contact with the ground. Mikhail Shchennikov, of Russia, was disqualified while in third.

☐ Huang Zhihong, of China, reclaimed her world title in the shot competition yesterday a year after losing the Olympic battle of the heavyweights to Svetlana Krivelyova. Huang, the first Asian to win a world championship, at Tokyo in 1991, triumphed with a third throw of 20.57m, the best this year. It was China's first gold medal of the championships.

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Australia's men toy with eager Essex boys

By Jack Bailey

CHELMSFORD (second day of three): Australians, with five second-innings wickets in hand, are 208 runs ahead of Essex

SOMETHING like 6,500 spectators packed in, cheek by jowl, to see the 1993 Australians yesterday. By and large they came away content, even though the main parts were taken by understudies playing unaccustomed roles.

First, there was Tim Zoehrer forsaking his gloves to take three for 57 from more than 23 overs with his leg breaks. Then there was Brendan Julian, the rangy left-arm fast medium bowler, opening the Australian second innings, taking eight fours in 11 balls during two overs from England's Mark Ilott and going on to make 66 at nearly a run a ball.

The Australians had gained a lead of 89 on the first innings and Slater had completed a "pair" before Boon, playing his usual watchful role, and Julian put on 97.

Julian made the most of his elevation in the order, but with Reiffel bowling so well these days, it seems unlikely that the tall man from Western Australia will be considered for the final Test match.

At least he made some sense of the Australian penchant for sending their second-line batsman in early during these matches.

This tinkering with the batting order has left Essex with a chink of daylight. The last of five second-innings wickets for 119 cannot entirely be what Border was looking for, although with Mark Waugh, Hayden and himself still to come, he will not be at panic stations just yet; and Zoehrer who has battled away for more than ten overs, mostly in the dark, is still there representing the understudy's union.

In the same way as Julian, Zoehrer has more than earned his keep. He has not, as his fellow Australians might say, had much of a shout on this tour. Healey's form with the bat, as well as his wicketkeeping, which has been adequate rather than brilliant, has kept Zoehrer at bay.

As a bowler of very good leg breaks, however, Zoehrer has made his mark once or twice. Against Kent and Canterbury in the last match, he bowled accurately and he's on the ball as much as most have been before Shane Warne came on to the scene. Yesterday, he was again on target. He sent down more than 20 overs economically and took three wickets. Strength in depth is one thing; the possession of a wicketkeeper who bowled leg breaks this well is overdoing it a bit.

Once Essex had lost Gooch, to a stunning caught and bowled by Julian, reminiscent of Robin Smith's dismissal in the Trent Bridge and Test match, the Essex innings relied in great measure upon Hussain's half century of which contained eight fours, three of them made rather frenetically as his first scoring strokes. As Hussain settled down to a solid innings the tail took their cue.

Such gained some small revenge for the mauling his bowling had suffered on Saturday; Ilott batted with more success than he has bowled; Garnham, always a doughty fighter, stuck it out for a while with Hussain. But the overall impression was still one of Australian men playing with eager Essex boys. These Australians are full of confidence and full of talent, right down to the last understudy.



MARTIN BEDDALL

City setting: Westminster skyscrapers provided the backcloth yesterday for the final of the Beachcroft Stanleys Cricketer Cup, fought out by Old Cliftonians and Old Tonbridgians (Ivo Tennant writes). A record partnership of 239 between John Meadows and Bill Lawry enabled Old Cliftonians to win the cup for the first time, both making centuries and enabling their side to score 304-4, the highest total made in a final, from their 55 overs. Tonbridgians have won the competition six times, more than any other old boys' side, but for various reasons were unable to field Christopher and Graham Cowdrey or Richard Ellison yesterday. Once Longley had gone cheaply, they were unable to keep up with the asking rate. Having won the toss and elected to bat, Cliftonians were soon scoring freely all round the wicket. Williams went cheaply but Meadows and Lawry both struck the ball handsomely. The connection that Lawry has with the former Australian captain does not extend beyond his name, for his batting is a good deal more enterprising. His 107 came off 136 balls. His partnership with Meadows, who was unbeaten with 141, lasted 46 overs and was the highest for any wicket in the competition. After an opening stand of 102 between Durling and Owen-Browne, Tonbridgians' batting fell away. Only Hollins prolonged their innings with a half-century after Fine, an off spinner, had become the first bowler to take six wickets in a final.

SCORES: Old Cliftonians 304-4 (55 overs: J L P Meadows 141 not out, W M Lawry 107); Old Tonbridgians 229 (48.4 overs: A Owen-Browne 66, C J Hollins 54 not out; A M Fine 6-46)

Blakey hits Middlesex out of contention

By Michael Henderson

SCARBOROUGH (Middlesex won toss): Yorkshire beat Middlesex by 77 runs

BEFORE a cheering crowd, intoxicated by the mighty hitting of Richardson and Blakey, Yorkshire achieved their fourth successive victory in the Axa Equity & Law Sunday league. By the end the players were quite giddy too. Stemp grabbed Blakey in a jubilant headlock after a stumping, which, one can say with certainty, is something neither Rhodes nor Wardle ever contemplated.

Middlesex, last year's winners, have pulled up no trees in the competition this time: they are too busy pursuing the championship. Should they complete victory in the four-day match which resumes today, which is a reasonable proposition, they will still have had a good weekend.

Rain delayed the start until 2.15pm when a 37-over game got under way. Put in to bat by Gatting, Yorkshire mauled the Middlesex bowling so savagely that 66 of their 245 runs came from 11 balls. If Sunday cricket is all too frequently hit and giggle then the laughter had an unusually satisfying ring yesterday.

Moxon's half century, which included the first of those 11 sixes, was merely the prelude to an unbroken third-wicket partnership of 132 that Richardson and Blakey shared in 12 overs. That meant Middlesex had to score at six and a half an over which, not surprisingly, proved too difficult.

Blakey, whose 69 came from only 38 balls, cleared the boundary six times. His furthest hit, a straight drive off Cowans, cleared the ground. The most extraordinary stroke, a flat-batted drive off the same bowler, flew over extra cover. Wicketless, and bowled later first ball, Cowans had a day of abject misery.

Richardson was muted by comparison, if that can be said of a man who makes 88 at better than a run a ball. The pick of his four sixes was a magnificent off drive that threatened spectators by the press box. His last 30 runs came after he hooked Fraser's full toss to deep square leg only to be reprieved by the call of no-ball for height from umpire White.

Haynes stood alone when Middlesex replied, the sixth man out for 60. By then Ramprakash and Carr had both donated their wickets to Steepling catches and Gatting had become Stemp's first victim. Robinson and Stemp each took three wickets and after a troublesome ninth-wicket stand between Emburey and Fraser, White ended the innings by taking two wickets in successive balls.

Glamorgan take over from Kent at the top

GLAMORGAN took advantage of Kent's inactivity to move two points ahead of them at the top of the Axa Equity & Law League yesterday. Glamorgan squeezed home by eight runs against Leicestershire to record their tenth successive win and strenghten hopes of their first Sunday championship.

With four games remaining, the new sponsors — and supporters of the two counties — can start to savour a grand climax to the competition: on the final day Kent play Glamorgan at Canterbury.

Glamorgan were run very close yesterday. James Whitaker scored a superb 117 off 128 balls, but he fell in the final over, one of four victims for the consistent Barwick.

Third-placed Sussex made short work of Nottinghamshire at Eastbourne. Speight set the tone with 57 off 42 balls, and once Nottinghamshire had lost their first three wickets for only seven runs they were never likely to threaten a target of 263.

Surrey, Middlesex and Northamptonshire, other pursuing counties, all lost, but Derbyshire and Lancashire maintained their challenge for place-money.

An opening partnership of 201 by Bowler (138 not out) and Adams (93) for Derbyshire scuppered Somerset, who have won only one of their 12 Sunday matches. DeFreitas claimed five Hampshire wickets at Southampton.

SUNDAY TABLE

	P	W	L	T	NR	Pts
Glamorgan	13	10	2	0	1	42
Kent	13	9	2	0	2	40
Sussex	13	8	3	1	1	36
Surrey	13	7	4	0	2	32
Derbys	13	7	5	0	1	30
Lancs	12	6	3	1	2	30
Middlesex	13	6	5	1	1	28
Northants	12	6	4	1	1	28
Yorks	12	6	5	0	1	26
Warwicks	13	5	7	0	1	22
Worcs	13	4	6	1	2	22
Durham	13	4	7	0	2	20
Essex	12	5	7	0	0	20
Glocs	12	4	6	1	1	20
Hants	12	3	6	0	3	18
Leics	12	4	7	0	1	18
Notts	13	3	10	0	0	12
Somerset	12	1	9	0	2	8

SATURDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

Yorkshire v Middlesex

SCARBOROUGH (third day of four): Yorkshire, with six second-innings wickets in hand, are 73 runs behind Middlesex

YORKSHIRE: First Innings 256 (D Byas 76)

Second Innings

*M D Moxon not out ... 68
A P Grayson c Emburey b Fraser ... 0
R B Richardson c and b Fraser ... 7
D Byas b Fraser ... 0
†R J Blakey b Williams ... 9
C White not out ... 13
Extras (b 1, lb 4, nb 8) ... 13
Total (4 wkts) ... 110

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-17, 3-25, 4-63.

BOWLING: Fraser 8-3-23-3; Feltham 6-3-14-0; Tufnell 11-5-22-0; Williams 5-1-7-1; Emburey 8-1-28-0; Ramprakash 2-0-11-0.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings

D L Haynes c Blakey b Hartley ... 4
M A Roseberry b Gough ... 28
*M W Gatting c Stemp b Gough ... 182
M R Ramprakash c Richardson b Gough ... 140
J D Carr c Moxon b Robinson ... 25
†K R Brown not out ... 18
J E Emburey not out ... 5
Extras (b 7, lb 4, nb 26) ... 37
Total (5 wkts dec, 116 overs) ... 439

M A Feltham, N F Williams, A R C Fraser and P C R Tufnell did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-59, 3-380, 4-389, 5-431.

BOWLING: Hartley 23-4-85-1; Gough 22-4-78-3; Robinson 26-6-95-1; Stemp 30-10-107-0; Batty 9-1-47-0, White 6-1-16-0.

Bonus points: Yorkshire 4, Middlesex 8.

Umpires: D O Oslear and R A White.

Warwickshire v Gloucestershire

EDGBASTON (third day of four): Gloucestershire, with seven second-innings wickets in hand, need 105 runs to beat Warwickshire

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 260 (A J Moles 117, Asif Din 53)

Second Innings

A J Moles c Hancock b Babington ... 3
J D Ratcliffe lbw b Walsh ... 7
D P Ostler b Babington ... 1
T L Penney b Alleyne ... 26
Asif Din c Russell b Walsh ... 0
†M Burns c Dawson b Walsh ... 14
P A Smith c Hodgson b Walsh ... 0
N M K Smith c Russell b Alleyne ... 5
*D A Reeve b Walsh ... 36
P A Booth c Davies b Alleyne ... 3
M A V Bell not out ... 22
Extras (lb 1, nb 6) ... 7
Total ... 124

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-11, 3-13, 4-14, 5-40, 6-44, 7-54, 8-67, 9-75

BOWLING: Walsh 24.2-5-59-5; Babington 23-7-30-2; Davies 5-1-9-0; Alleyne 12-5-25-3

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 145 (M A V Bell 7 for 48)

Second Innings

G D Hodgson not out ... 51
B C Broad c Ostler b Bell ... 48
R I Dawson lbw b Reeve ... 8
S G Hinks c Burns b P A Smith ... 19
M W Alleyne not out ... 13
Extras (lb 1, w 1, nb 14) ... 16
Total (3 wkts) ... 155

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-92, 2-105, 3-132

BOWLING: Bell 15-3-56-1; P A Smith 10-0-41-1; N M K Smith 17-8-32-0; Reeve 15-4-25-1; Booth 2-3-0-0.

Bonus points: Warwickshire 6, Gloucestershire 4.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and R Palmer.

Worcestershire v Surrey

WORCESTER (third day of four): Worcestershire, with six second-innings wickets in hand, are 178 runs ahead of Surrey

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 408 (G A Hick 182, P J Newport 52; M P Bicknell 6 for 96)

Second Innings

*T S Curtis lbw b Waqar ... 0
C M Tolley c Kendrick b M P Bicknell ... 78
G A Hick c Atkins b M P Bicknell ... 9
D B D'Oliveira lbw b Benjamin ... 50
D A Leatherdale not out ... 17
S R Lampitt not out ... 12
Extras (b 1, lb 12, nb 20) ... 33
Total (4 wkts) ... 199

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-11, 3-154, 4-171.

BOWLING: Waqar Younis 14.4-2-41-1; M P Bicknell 17-4-52-2; Thorpe 3-1-11-0; Benjamin 13-4-25-1; Kendrick 7-2-12-0; Boiling 17-4-45-0.

SURREY: First Innings

D J Bicknell c Newport b Lampitt ... 130
P D Atkins lbw b Radford ... 2
G P Thorpe run out ... 171
A D Brown c Newport b Radford ... 34
J Boiling lbw b Lampitt ... 28
*†A J Stewart c Rhodes b Newport ... 8
D M Ward lbw b Lampitt ... 7
M P Bicknell c Curtis b Newport ... 13
N M Kendrick not out ... 1
Waqar Younis c Lampitt b Newport ... 0
J E Benjamin lbw b Newport ... 0
Extras (b 18, lb 7, w 2, nb 6) ... 33
Total ... 427

Score at 120 overs: 393-4.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-315, 3-349, 4-370, 5-404, 6-406, 7-423, 8-427, 9-427.

BOWLING: Tolley 19-8-42-0; Radford 31-8-85-2; Newport 33-11-86-4; Lampitt 21-4-71-3; Illingworth 25-4-77-0; Hick 10-2-41-0.

Bonus points: Worcestershire 5, Surrey 8.

Umpires: G I Burgess and K E Palmer.

Sussex v Nottinghamshire

HOVE (third day of four): Sussex, with seven second-innings wickets in hand, are 414 runs ahead of Nottinghamshire.

SUSSEX: First Innings 424 (M P Speight 184, P Moores 78)

Second Innings

N J Lenham st French b Afford ... 71
C W J Athey c French b Afford ... 75
M P Speight c Johnson b Afford ... 30
*A P Wells not out ... 29
F D Stephenson not out ... 42
Extras (b 6, lb 4, w 1, nb 10) ... 21
Total (3 wkts) ... 268

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-145, 2-186, 3-199.

BOWLING: Lewis 19-2-67-0; Mike 11-4-40-0; Afford 29-4-128-3; Bates 7-0-23-0.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

P R Pollard c Athey b Lenham ... 26
W A Dessaur c Moores b Stephenson ... 5
*R T Robinson c Pigott b North ... 69
P Johnson c Wells b Hemmings ... 25
C L Cairns c Salisbury b Pigott ... 42
C C Lewis b Salisbury ... 7
K P Evans c Lenham b Stephenson ... 14
G W Mike c Wells b Pigott ... 50
R T Bates c Smith b Pigott ... 0
†B N French c Moores b Pigott ... 27
J A Afford not out ... 1
Extras (b 4, lb 8, nb 2) ... 12
Total (85 overs) ... 278

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-47, 3-128, 4-130, 5-149, 6-184, 7-203, 8-217, 9-265.

BOWLING: Stephenson 17-7-43-2; Pigott 18-2-51-4; Hemmings 20-6-58-1; Lenham 3-0-15-1, Salisbury 23-5-86-1; North 4-0-15-1.

Bonus points: Sussex 8, Nottinghamshire 4

Umpires: G Sharp and A G T Whitehead.

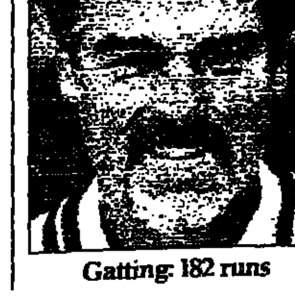
Northamptonshire v Durham

NORTHAMPTON (third day of four): Northamptonshire (23pts) beat Durham (4) by an innings and 48 runs

DURHAM: First Innings 210 (P Bainbridge 68)

Second Innings

G Fowler lbw b Taylor ... 10
W Larkins lbw b Bowen ... 5
P W G Parker run out ... 0
S Hutton c Ripley b Ambrose ... 14
P Bainbridge c Ripley b Bowen ... 40
I Smith c Ripley b Taylor ... 7



Gatting: 182 runs

A C Cummins b Bowen ... 6
†C W Scott c Loye b Ambrose ... 3
*D A Graveney not out ... 0
S J E Brown b Ambrose ... 0
S P Hughes c Curran b Ambrose ... 0
Extras (b 1, lb 1, nb 2) ... 4
Total ... 69

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-18, 3-16, 4-51, 5-59, 6-78, 7-87, 8-89, 9-89.

BOWLING: Ambrose 12.3-4-24-4, Taylor 12-4-18-2; Bowen 14-4-32-3; Bailey 1-1-0-0; Curran 4-1-13-0.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

R R Montgomerie c Parker b Graveney ... 35
N A Felton c Larkins b Bainbridge ... 30
R J Bailey c Larkins b Hughes ... 18
*A J Lamb c Fowler b Graveney ... 70
M B Loye c Larkins b Graveney ... 80
R J Warren c Smith b Hughes ... 3
K M Curran c Brown b Graveney ... 4
†D Ripley lbw b Cummins ... 27
M N Bowen not out ... 23
C E L Ambrose c Cummins b Hughes ... 18
J P Taylor c Parker b Graveney ... 0
Extras (b 13, lb 8, w 4, nb 14) ... 39
Total ... 347

Score at 120 overs: 343-8.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-60, 2-80, 3-94, 4-262, 5-262, 6-266, 7-275, 8-320, 9-346.

BOWLING: Cummins 28-7-89-1, Hughes 24-10-48-3; Brown 14-2-74-0; Graveney 43.1-18-78-5; Bainbridge 18-7-37-1.

Umpires: J H Harris and G A Stickley

Leicestershire v Glamorgan

LEICESTER (third day of four): Leicestershire, with nine second-innings wickets in hand, need 123 runs to avoid an innings defeat by Glamorgan

GLAMORGAN: First Innings 351 for 8 dec (P A Cottey 105, M P Maynard 82, D L Hemp 52)

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings

T J Boon c Cottey b Watkin ... 1
P N Hepworth c Croft b Watkin ... 3
†P A Nixon b Barwick ... 1
*J J Whitaker c Cottey b Watkin ... 75
V J Wells c Dale b Barwick ... 20
P E Robinson lbw b Dale ... 7
B F Smith lbw b Watkin ... 22
G J Parsons c Cottey b Barwick ... 36
A R K Pierson not out ... 6
D J Millns c Watkin b Croft ... 1
M T Brimson c Metson b Croft ... 0
Extras (b 3, lb 1, nb 2) ... 6
Total ... 178

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-3, 3-5, 4-44, 5-84, 6-92, 7-160, 8-177, 9-178.

BOWLING: Watkin 23-8-49-4; Lefebvre 18-7-35-0; Barwick 27-17-28-3; Dale 13-6-24-1; Croft 18.4-6-38-2.

Second Innings

T J Boon c Morris b Watkin ... 7
P N Hepworth not out ... 22
V J Wells not out ... 20
Extras (lb 1) ... 1
Total (1 wkt) ... 50

FALL OF WICKET: 1-8.

BOWLING: Watkin 6-3-8-1; Lefebvre 7-2-9-0; Barwick 8-4-15-0; Dale 4-1-16-0; Croft 3-2-1-0.

Bonus points: Leicestershire 3, Glamorgan 8.

Umpires: B Dudleston and H D Bird.

Derbyshire v Somerset

DERBY (third day of four): Somerset (23pts) beat Derbyshire (2) by an innings and 37 runs

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 135 (C J Adams 50; A R Caddick 5 for 49, N A Mallender 5 for 49)

Second Innings

P D Bowler lbw b Mallender ... 4
*J E Morris c Harden b Caddick ... 37
C J Adams lbw b Mallender ... 0
A S Rollins c Harden b Mushtaq ... 85
I G S Steer c Mushtaq b Caddick ... 11
D G Cork c Mushtaq b Payne ... 7
M J Vandrau c Lathwell b Mushtaq ... 41
†K M Krikken not out ... 1
S J Base st Burns b Mushtaq ... 4
A W Richardson c Payne b Mushtaq ... 0
O H Mortensen c Mushtaq b Caddick ... 0
Extras (lb 3, w 1, nb 8) ... 12
Total ... 221

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-27, 3-72, 4-98, 5-137, 6-163, 7-204, 8-218, 9-220.

BOWLING: Caddick 15.5-3-57-3; Mallender 11-0-48-2: Rose 10-0-53-0; Mushtaq Ahmed 11-2-28-4; Payne 6-1-34-1.

SOMERSET: First Innings

A N Hayhurst run out ... 169
M N Lathwell b Cork ... 109
*R J Harden c Krikken b Cork ... 0
N A Folland lbw b Cork ... 33
I Fletcher c Krikken b Base ... 8
†N D Burns lbw b Base ... 7
G D Rose run out ... 0
Mushtaq Ahmed c Krikken b Vandrau ... 28
A Payne not out ... 22
A R Caddick c Vandrau b Cork ... 24
Extras (b 6, lb 20, w 4, nb 23) ... 53
Total (9 wkts dec) ... 429

Score at 120 overs: 339-5.

N A Mallender did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-226, 2-226, 3-296, 4-325, 5-339, 6-339, 7-361, 8-398, 9-453.

BOWLING: Mortensen 32-8-79-0; Base 35-7-116-2; Richardson 22-6-74-0, Cork 32.5-7-90-4; Vandrau 22-5-49-1; Adams 5-0-19-0.

Umpires: P Willey and P B Wight.

Hampshire v Lancashire

SOUTHAMPTON (third day of four): Hampshire, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 55 runs ahead of Lancashire

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings 384 (D I Gower 117, V P Terry 57)

Second Innings

T C Middleton b DeFreitas ... 0
V P Terry not out ... 32
R A Smith c Atherton b Barnett ... 34
S D Udal not out ... 0
Extras (b 11) ... 11
Total (2 wkts) ... 77

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-72.

BOWLING: DeFreitas 8-0-22-1, Watkinson 8-0-16-0; Barnett 5-2-14-1; Yates 5-1-14-0.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

G D Mendis c and b Shine ... 58
J P Crawley c Terry b Shine ... 4
M A Atherton lbw b Udal ... 56
N J Speak c Smith b Flint ... 2
G Yates b Flint ... 32
*N H Fairbrother c Smith b Udal ... 47
M Watkinson c Gower b Udal ... 81
P A J DeFreitas c Aymes b Flint ... 51
†W K Hegg b Udal ... 12
P J Martin c Terry b Udal ... 8
A A Barnett not out ... 0
Extras (b 2, lb 9, w 2, nb 22) ... 35
Total ... 386

Score at 120 overs: 346-6.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-121, 3-136, 4-136, 5-199, 6-234, 7-366, 8-366, 9-379.

BOWLING: Marshall 14-2-44-0; Shine 19-5-64-2; Flint 51-17-118-3; Udal 47.5-8-131-5, James 3-0-20-0.

Bonus points: Hampshire 6, Lancashire 7.

Umpires: D J Constant and V A Holder.

One-day international

Sri Lanka v India

COLOMBO: Sri Lanka beat India by four wickets

INDIA

M Prabhakar c Gurusinghe b Wickremasinghe ... 17
N S Sidhu c Kalpage b Muralitharan ... 7
V G Kambli c Mahanama b Muralitharan ... 19
*M Azharuddin c Jayasuriya b Ramanayake ... 85
S R Tendulkar c Muralitharan b Jayasuriya ... 25
A Sharma st Kaluwitharana b Jayasuriya ... 20
Kapil Dev c de Silva b Ramanayake ... 4
†V Yadav run out ... 27
A Kumble not out ... 4
R K Chauhan b Wickremasinghe ... 0
J Srinath not out ... 5
Extras (lb 8, w 3, nb 3) ... 14
Total (9 wkts, 50 overs) ... 227

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-22, 2-43, 3-85, 4-112, 5-165, 6-181, 7-217, 8-218, 9-216.

BOWLING: Ramanayake 10-1-42-2; Wickremasinghe 10-1-54-3; Hathurusinghe 3-0-12-0; Gurusinghe 2-0-7-0; Muralitharan 5-1-21-1; Jayasuriya 10-1-38-2; Kalpage 10-1-45-0.

SRI LANKA

R S Mahanama retired hurt ... 92
U C Hathurusingha c Kumble b Prabhakar ... 12
A P Gurusinha run out ... 43
P A de Silva b Chauhan ... 30
*A Ranatunga c Kumble b Prabhakar ... 22
S T Jayasuriya lbw b Prabhakar ... 2
†R Kaluwitharana c Kapil Dev b Srinath ... 1
R S Kalpage not out ... 6
H C P Ramanayake not out ... 4
Extras (lb 15, w 5) ... 20
Total (6 wkts, 49.3 overs) ... 231

G P Wickremasinghe and M Muralitharan did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-112, 3-178, 4-216, 5-217, 6-222.

BOWLING: Kapil Dev 7-1-22-0; Prabhakar 9-1-38-3; Srinath 9.3-1-48-1; Tendulkar 4-0-15-0; Chauhan 10-0-39-1; Kumble 7-0-37-0. Sharma 3-0-19-0.

Man of the Match: R S Mahanama.

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

AXA Equity & Law League

Leicestershire v Glamorgan

LEICESTER: (Leicestershire won toss): Glamorgan (4pts) beat Leicestershire by eight runs

GLAMORGAN

S P James c Nixon b Millns ... 7
*H Morris c Nixon b Dakin ... 14
A Dale run out ... 56
M P Maynard c Boon b Benson ... 54
P A Cottey c Nixon b Dakin ... 27
D L Hemp b Parsons ... 16
R D B Croft c and b Dakin ... 7
R P Lefebvre not out ... 27
†C P Metson not out ... 3
Extras (b 4, lb 5, w 8) ... 17
Total (7 wkts, 50 overs) ... 228

S L Watkin and S R Barwick did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-42, 3-128, 4-167, 5-179, 6-191, 7-205.

BOWLING: Parsons 10-0-39-1; Millns 4-0-14-1; Dakin 10-2-45-3; Wells 10-1-47-0; Pierson 10-0-39-0; Benson 6-0-35-1.

LEICESTERSHIRE

T J Boon c Lefebvre b Barwick ... 19
J D R Benson b Lefebvre ... 1
*J J Whitaker c Morris b Barwick ... 117
P E Robinson b Dale ... 24
B F Smith c Lefebvre b Barwick ... 35
J Dakin c Croft b Dale ... 4
V J Wells not out ... 12
†P A Nixon c Lefebvre b Barwick ... 0
G J Parsons not out ... 0
Extras (lb 3, w 5) ... 8
Total (7 wkts, 50 overs) ... 220

A R K Pierson and D J Millns did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-32, 3-109, 4-179, 5-189, 6-217, 7-218.

BOWLING: Lefebvre 10-4-20-1; Watkin 10-0-41-0; Barwick 10-0-46-4; Croft 10-0-42-0; Dale 10-0-68-2

Umpires: H D Bird and B Dudleston.

Warwickshire v Gloucestershire

EDGBASTON: (Warwickshire won toss): Gloucestershire (4pts) beat Warwickshire by eleven runs

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

B C Broad c Penney b Twose ... 36
G D Hodgson b Munton ... 20
S G Hinks b N M K Smith ... 42
M W Alleyne not out ... 52
R J Scott c Burns b Twose ... 2
T H C Hancock c N M K Smith b Brown ... 26
†R C Russell not out ... 34
Extras (lb 8, w 6, nb 4) ... 17
Total (5 wkts, 50 overs) ... 232

*C A Walsh, M Davies, A M Smith and A M Babington did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-39, 2-108, 3-113, 4-122, 5-181.

BOWLING: Munton 10-4-29-1; Brown 10-1-37-1; P A Smith 10-0-47-0; Twose 10-0-50-2; N M K Smith 10-1-61-1.

WARWICKSHIRE

J D Ratcliffe run out ... 22
Asif Din c sub b Walsh ... 6
D P Ostler c Russell b Babington ... 0
P A Smith c Hinks b Davies ... 50
A J Moles b Alleyne ... 26
R G Twose b Babington ... 10
T L Penney b Walsh ... 27
N M K Smith c Scott b Smith ... 54
†M Burns b Smith ... 1
D R Brown not out ... 8
*T A Munton run out ... 10
Extras (b 1, lb 2, w 2, nb 2) ... 7
Total (49.4 overs) ... 221

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-15, 3-34, 4-104, 5-104, 6-118, 7-197, 8-202, 9-206.

BOWLING: Babington 10-0-33-2; Walsh 9.4-4-21-2, Smith 10-0-54-2; Scott 5-0-17-0; Alleyne 10-0-55-1; Davies 5-0-38-1.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and R Palmer.

Yorkshire v Middlesex

SCARBOROUGH: (Middlesex won toss): Yorkshire (4pts) beat Middlesex by 77 runs

YORKSHIRE

*M D Moxon c Roseberry b Ramprakash ... 50
D Byas c Keech b Emburey ... 22
R B Richardson not out ... 88
†R J Blakey not out ... 69
Extras (lb 1, w 9, nb 6) ... 16
Total (2 wkts, 37 overs) ... 245

A P Grayson, C White, M J Foster, P J Hartley, R D Stemp, D Gough and M A Robinson did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-45, 2-113

BOWLING: Fraser 8-1-39-0; Feltham 7-0-57-0; Cowans 8-0-52-0; Emburey 7-1-60-1; Keech 3-0-16-0; Ramprakash 4-0-30-1.

MIDDLESEX

D L Haynes b Stemp ... 60
M A Roseberry lbw b Gough ... 2
M R Ramprakash c Moxon b Hartley ... 0
J D Carr c Blakey b Robinson ... 13
*M W Gatting c Richardson b Stemp ... 14
†K R Brown c Blakey b Robinson ... 13
J E Emburey not out ... 36
M A Feltham c White b Robinson ... 2
M Keech st Blakey b Stemp ... 2
A R C Fraser b White ... 10
N G Cowans b White ... 0
Extras (b 5, lb 5, w 2, nb 4) ... 16
Total (32.3 overs) ... 168

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-20, 2-21, 3-51, 4-81, 5-103, 6-120, 7-123, 8-127, 9-168.

BOWLING: Hartley 6-1-22-1; Gough 6-0-31-1; Robinson 8-0-28-3, Stemp 8-0-41-3; White 2.3-0-12-2; Grayson 2-0-24-0.

Umpires: D O Oslear and R A White.

Northamptonshire v Durham

NORTHAMPTON: (Northamptonshire won toss): Durham (4pts) beat Northamptonshire by 48 runs

DURHAM

G Fowler run out ... 42
W Larkins c Loye b Curran ... 45
P W G Parker c and b Cook ... 43
P Bainbridge c Curran b Ambrose ... 16
S Hutton c Walker b Taylor ... 23
I Smith b Ambrose ... 45
A C Cummins c Walker b Taylor ... 2
†C W Scott not out ... 12
*D A Graveney not out ... 1
Extras (b 1, lb 7, w 9) ... 17
Total (7 wkts, 50 overs) ... 246

S P Hughes and S J E Brown did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-80, 2-118, 3-144, 4-169, 5-230, 6-230, 7-242

BOWLING: Ambrose 10-0-50-2, Taylor 10-0-45-2; Walker 10-0-67-0; Curran 10-1-39-1; Cook 10-0-37-1.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

R R Montgomerie c Smith b Hughes ... 0
M B Loye c Scott b Cummins ... 3
R J Bailey c and b Graveney ... 48
*A J Lamb c Larkins b Cummins ... 5
K M Curran c Smith b Bainbridge ... 39
R J Warren c Hutton b Bainbridge ... 5
†D Ripley c Fowler b Graveney ... 9
C E L Ambrose c Parker b Cummins ... 26
A Walker b Hughes ... 30
N G B Cook b Cummins ... 5
J P Taylor not out ... 3
Extras (lb 12, w 11, nb 2) ... 25
Total (48.5 overs) ... 198

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-8, 3-14, 4-104, 5-115, 6-122, 7-148, 8-166, 9-187.

BOWLING: Hughes 8.5-2-28-2; Cummins 9-3-27-4; Brown 10-1-48-0; Bainbridge 10-2-32-2; Graveney 9-0-53-2.

Umpires: J H Harris and G A Stickley.

Worcestershire v Surrey

WORCESTER: (Surrey won toss): Worcestershire (4pts) beat Surrey by 37 runs

WORCESTERSHIRE

*T S Curtis c Stewart b Benjamin ... 8
D B D'Oliveira c Ward b Benjamin ... 9
G A Hick c Lynch b Boiling ... 64
G R Haynes b Murphy ... 32
D A Leatherdale c Lynch b Hollioake ... 1
†S J Rhodes c Stewart b Hollioake ... 0
N V Radford lbw b Hollioake ... 3
S R Lampitt lbw b Benjamin ... 28
R K Illingworth c Lynch b Waqar ... 8
C M Tolley b Waqar ... 0
P J Newport not out ... 26
Extras (lb 8, w 7, nb 2) ... 15
Total (48.4 overs) ... 194

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-32, 3-115, 4-117, 5-121, 6-125, 7-129, 8-144, 9-144.

BOWLING: Benjamin 9.4-0-40-3; Murphy 9-0-27-1, Waqar Younis 10-1-37-2; Hollioake 10-2-37-3; Boiling 10-1-47-1.

SURREY

D J Bicknell run out ... 18
A D Brown c D'Oliveira b Newport ... 19
G P Thorpe lbw b Haynes ... 8
*†A J Stewart run out ... 7
D M Ward lbw b Radford ... 3
M A Lynch c Rhodes b Lampitt ... 4
A J Hollioake b Illingworth ... 16
Waqar Younis c Rhodes b Radford ... 21
J Boiling not out ... 23
J E Benjamin c Curtis b Radford ... 12
A J Murphy b Illingworth ... 9
Extras (lb 9, w 8) ... 17
Total (44.1 overs) ... 157

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-34, 2-48, 3-56, 4-59, 5-63, 6-76, 7-112, 8-113, 9-128

BOWLING: Newport 9-3-26-1; Haynes 10-1-39-1; Lampitt 7-2-8-1; Radford 10-1-39-3: Tolley 2-0-15-0; Illingworth 6.1-0-21-2.

Umpires: G I Burgess and K E Palmer.

Sussex v Nottinghamshire

EASTBOURNE: (Nottinghamshire won toss): Sussex (4pts) beat Nottinghamshire by 94 runs

SUSSEX

D M Smith b Afford ... 25
M P Speight c French b Mike ... 57
F D Stephenson c Pick b Mike ... 35
C W J Athey c Pick b Bates ... 6
*A P Wells c Crawley b Bates ... 24
K Greenfield c Pollard b Crawley ... 35
N J Lenham c French b Crawley ... 26
J A North c French b Mike ... 0
†P Moores not out ... 19
I D K Salisbury run out ... 10
E S H Giddins run out ... 1
Extras (lb 6, w 12, nb 4) ... 22
Total (48.3 overs) ... 262

FALL OF WICKETS. 1-77, 2-123, 3-134, 4-138, 5-180, 6-216, 7-218, 8-232, 9-253.

BOWLING: Lewis 5.3-0-46-0; Pick 10-1-57-0; Mike 9-0-55-3; Bates 10-0-38-2; Afford 4-0-10-1; Crawley 10-0-50-2.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

P R Pollard c Moores b Stephenson ... 2
P Johnson lbw b Giddins ... 1
*R T Robinson c Wells b Salisbury ... 51
C L Cairns b Giddins ... 4
C C Lewis c Lenham b Stephenson ... 14
M A Crawley c Moores b Salisbury ... 22
G W Mike c Moores b Lenham ... 9
†B N French c and b Greenfield ... 33
R T Bates c Moores b Salisbury ... 1
R A Pick not out ... 11
J A Afford c Athey b North ... 1
Extras (lb 12, w 7) ... 19
Total (45.1 overs) ... 168

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-3, 3-7, 4-34, 5-68, 6-90, 7-137, 8-140, 9-164.

BOWLING: Giddins 8-3-16-2; Stephenson 7-2-17-2; Lenham 10-0-54-1; Salisbury 10-0-30-3; Greenfield 10-0-39-1; North 0.1-0-0-1.

Umpires: D R Shepherd and A G T Whitehead.

Derbyshire v Somerset

DERBY: (Somerset won toss): Derbyshire (4pts) beat Somerset by 113 runs

DERBYSHIRE

P D Bowler not out ... 138
C J Adams c Mallender b Rose ... 93
*J E Morris c Lathwell b Mallender ... 14
T J G O'Gorman c Turner b Mallender ... 1
A S Rollins not out ... 13
Extras (lb 8, w 8, nb 6) ... 22
Total (3 wkts, 50 overs) ... 281

M J Vandrau, †K M Krikken, D G Cork, O H Mortensen, S J Base and D E Malcolm did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-201, 2-235, 3-256.

BOWLING: Caddick 9-0-74-0; Mallender 10-1-28-2; Rose 7-1-44-1; Kerr 6-0-36-0; Payne 8-0-51-0; Mushtaq Ahmed 10-0-40-0.

SOMERSET

M N Lathwell c Krikken b Mortensen ... 4
I Fletcher c Krikken b Cork ... 26
N A Folland c Krikken b Base ... 0
*R J Harden c Krikken b Mortensen ... 16
G D Rose b Vandrau ... 52
Mushtaq Ahmed b Mortensen ... 9
A Payne lbw b Cork ... 0
†R J Turner c Krikken b Base ... 33
A R Caddick b Vandrau ... 17
J I D Kerr b Malcolm ... 1
N A Mallender not out ... 0
Extras (lb 1, w 7, nb 2) ... 10
Total (38.1 overs) ... 168

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-7, 3-49, 4-49, 5-63, 6-64, 7-141, 8-166, 9-168.

BOWLING: Mortensen 10-1-39-3; Base 7.2-2-17-2; Cork 7-0-20-2; Malcolm 7.1-0-41-1; Vandrau 7-0-50-2.

Umpires: P B Wight and P Willey.

Hampshire v Lancashire

SOUTHAMPTON: (Lancashire won toss): Lancashire (4pts) beat Hampshire by six wickets

HAMPSHIRE

D I Gower c and b Austin ... 1
V P Terry lbw b DeFreitas ... 4
R A Smith c Atherton b DeFreitas ... 1
J R Wood c Hegg b Austin ... 0
*M C J Nicholas not out ... 64
M D Marshall lbw b DeFreitas ... 6
†A N Aymes lbw b Watkinson ... 1
S D Udal b Wasim ... 44
M J Thursfield b Watkinson ... 9
C A Connor b DeFreitas ... 1
I J Turner lbw b DeFreitas ... 0
Extras (b 4, lb 6, w 5, nb 12) ... 27
Total (47 overs) ... 158

FALL OF WICKETS 1-8, 2-11, 3-12, 4-12, 5-30, 6-39, 7-122, 8-151, 9-158.

BOWLING: Austin 8-0-22-2; DeFreitas 10-4-26-5; Watkinson 10-1-29-2; Wasim Akram 9-0-37-1; Yates 10-0-34-0

LANCASHIRE

M A Atherton c Connor b Udal ... 51
S P Titchard run out ... 31
J P Crawley c Terry b Thursfield ... 19
*N H Fairbrother not out ... 25
N J Speak b Marshall ... 10
Wasim Akram not out ... 17
Extras (lb 3, w 3) ... 6
Total (4 wkts, 47.4 overs) ... 159

M Watkinson, P A J DeFreitas, †W K Hegg, I D Austin and G Yates did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-77, 2-85, 3-111, 4-128.

BOWLING. Marshall 9-1-25-1; Connor 8.4-1-37-0; Thursfield 10-1-46-1; Turner 10-0-24-0; Udal 10-1-24-1.

Umpires: D J Constant and V A Holder.

Tetley Bitter Challenge

Essex v Australians

CHELMSFORD (second day of three): Australians, with five second-innings wickets in hand, are 208 runs ahead of Essex

AUSTRALIANS: First Innings 357 for 6 dec (M L Hayden 111, M E Waugh 108, A R Border 57)

Second Innings

B P Julian b Pringle ... 66
M J Slater c Salim b Ilott ... 0
D C Boon b Childs ... 26
P R Reiffel lbw b Such ... 15
M G Hughes lbw b Pringle ... 0
T J Zoehrer not out ... 4
†I A Healy not out ... 1
Extras (lb 1, nb 6) ... 7
Total (5 wkts) ... 119

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-98, 3-98, 4-99, 5-115

BOWLING: Ilott 9-1-47-1; Pringle 13-4-42-2; Childs 13-6-27-1; Such 4-2-2-1.

ESSEX: First Innings

*G A Gooch c and b Julian ... 61
N V Knight c Healy b Reiffel ... 1
P J Prichard b Reiffel ... 21
Salim Malik c Border b May ... 17
N Hussain c Slater b May ... 57
J J B Lewis lbw b Zoehrer ... 8
†M A Garnham run out ... 17
D R Pringle c Healy b Zoehrer ... 9
M C Ilott st Healy b Zoehrer ... 24
P M Such c Healy b May ... 15
J H Childs not out ... 11
Extras (b 4, lb 9, nb 14) ... 27
Total ... 268

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-74, 3-96, 4-122, 5-153, 6-198, 7-205, 8-211, 9-240.

BOWLING: Hughes 10-1-55-0; Reiffel 14-5-32-2; May 29-10-71-3; Julian 8-2-40-1; Zoehrer 21.3-3-57-3.

Umpires: J D Bond and M J Harris.

Under-19 Test match

England v West Indies

TRENT BRIDGE: (fourth day of four). No play yesterday: England U-19 drew with West Indies U-19

ENGLAND U-19: First Innings 346 for 9 (M P Vaughan 119, J A Daley 88)

WEST INDIES U-19: First Innings

A Balliram b Phillips ... 17
M Ventura run out ... 36
J Mitchum b Phillips ... 20
S Chanderpaul not out ... 203
R Griffith c Walker b Chapple ... 13
*I Bradshaw c Phillips b Chapple ... 34
A Gwance c Dowman b Phillips ... 15
†A Coley c Vaughan b Phillips ... 3
D Ramnarine not out ... 16
Extras (b 4, lb 12, w 6) ... 22
Total (7 wkts) ... 379

C Stuart and R Christopher did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-80, 3-87, 4-158, 5-250, 6-300, 7-311.

BOWLING: Chapple 28-9-69-2; Broadhurst 18-1-56-0; Thomas 18-3-48-0, Phillips 44-14-102-4; Keedy 41-15-73-0; Vaughan 6-1-12-0; Dowman 2-0-3-0

Umpires: J C Balderstone and A A Jones.

Manchester United show sparkling form as curtain rises on 1993-4 Premiership season

Norwich can only marvel at wing wizardry of Giggs

Norwich City..... 0
Manchester United..... 2

By Rob Hughes
Football Correspondent

HAVING won the Premier League title by ten clear points in a season they began with two defeats, Manchester United convincingly and entertainingly started the present one in such form that they are already favourites to emulate Liverpool as the only team in recent times to retain the championship.

In sultry conditions which to a degree dictated a sobering pace, United demonstrated that above all they have the class to strike out of languidness.

Norwich, champions of the little club and, we should remind ourselves, a team in Europe on merit, were unable to cope with the authority, the skills and the audacity which could come from any one of half a dozen United sources.

There was no Cantona, the injured Frenchman whose vision and marvellous brushstrokes had engineered the destruction of Norwich on this same ground in April. That merely meant a place in midfield for Robson — a player lean, hungry, and full of leadership desire. He played the anchor but also scored the second goal. However, it was Hughes, such an acrobat and such an irrepressible mind, who set up the goals, both for Robson and for Giggs.

Giggs terrorised Norwich. He did so before the kick-off, for the home side sacrificed the adventure of their own quicksilver winger, Fox, who spent most of the afternoon chasing back to try to deny United's 19-year-old.

How could you do that? With so much talent around it is like trying to keep water in a bucket full of holes.

On a pitch relaid for the first time in 58 years there was at times a capricious bounce. Norwich found it more discomforting than United, and there was a frisson every time Giggs was in possession.

The home crowd as well as the United supporters in the 19,705 audience were on their feet whenever the slender Welshman touched the ball.

Before the opening goal, United's interesting formation was clearly imprinted on that new turf. They deployed three triangles — Irwin, Ince and Giggs on the left, and Parker, Keane and Kanchelskis on the right.

This left Robson with nothing more to do than crunch into his tackles to win the ball, then to pass his side forward, and to maraud towards the penalty box himself. He was, early on at least, more impressive even than the £3.75 million Keane on those surges.

The breakthrough came after 25 minutes. Irwin swung in a corner from the left, Keane flicked it on with his head, and then Hughes was exceptional. From an angle that seemed to defy even him, he lashed the ball goalwards. Gunn, selected in goal despite a hamstring strain, misjudged it, parried it against his own crossbar and when it fell to ground Giggs snapped the ball in at point-blank range. Opportunism is just another of the teenager's traits.

Giggs, on the end of a one-two from Irwin and Ince, next tried a cheeky backheel which did not quite come off, and the Norwich defence was never sure how to close the door.

After 56 minutes Culverhouse played a brilliant ball over the top of United's defence. Robins chased it, caught it and attempted to outwit Schmeichel from a startling angle. The goalkeeper thrust his 6ft 4in frame upwards just in time to flick the ball away from beneath his bar.

Forewarned, United sprang their second goal. It was brilliant. Ince began the move out on the left touchline. Hughes produced a back-heel that was perfectly studied and weighted for Robson, and the club captain rifled in his shot, hit low and impossible to stop, from 13 yards.

At times United then toyed with Norwich. Kanchelskis produced a teasing cross from the right, but Giggs turned malevolent in pushing Polston burisingly against a post. And then Parker, looking more sprightly than for some years, made two sublime dashes down the right flank, two expert crosses from which Hughes headed the first, and mis-hit the second. The header produced Gunn's save of the match.

The champions of England had put the champions of the little people firmly in their place.

NORWICH CITY (4-4-2): B Gunn — J Polston, I Butterworth, I Culverhouse, R Newman — R Fox, I Crook, J Goss, M Bowen — M Robins (sub: E Ekoku 71min), C Sutton.
MANCHESTER UNITED (4-5-1): P Schmeichel — P Parker, S Bruce, G Pallister, D Irwin — A Kanchelskis, R Keane, B Robson, P Ince, R Giggs — M Hughes.
Referee: K Hackett.

IAN STEWART



Two-way tussle: Hughes, left, of United, and Goss dispute possession at Carrow Road yesterday

Hoddle's brave new world on hold

Keith Blackmore sees the new manager of Chelsea suffer a setback against Blackburn

OF ALL the mysteries of the new season, none was more opaque than that of Chelsea. They may have been a dull, mediocre team last season, but under the new direction of the most exciting young managerial prospect in the country, Glenn Hoddle, who knew what they might do?

Before a ball had been kicked in anger, it was possible to believe that they might be capable of a dash for the championship, playing in the style that made Hoddle's Swindon such a popular success. It was equally possible to think they might drop like a stone if Hoddle's magic failed to work.

After one match, a 2-1 home defeat by Blackburn Rovers, neither possibility could be discounted, but the latter looks the more likely. More likely still is a season of transition in which a group of players, most of them journeymen, struggle to meet their player-manager's lofty expectations.

They had their moments on Saturday, the best of which brought them their goal in the 48th minute. It was pure Hoddle, even if the man himself had no hand in it. Peacock, the £1.25 million import from Newcastle United, produced a splendid cross-field pass to release Spencer on the left. Spencer feinted to cross and nudged the ball to Wise, whose centre was converted by Peacock's header at the far post.

Wise seemed to thrive on the responsibilities of captaincy and Peacock might well be a force in midfield, at least while the pitches are hard. The much discussed Hoddle system gives these two more or less conventional attacking midfield roles, playing between wing-backs in a four-man midfield.

Hoddle occupies his preferred role of advanced sweeper, playing in front of three defenders, but here lies Chelsea's most pressing problem. When the ball is at his feet Hoddle still looks as if he owns it, but when it is banged over his head the Chelsea defence creaks.

Chelsea lost in the end because of what Hoddle described as "sloppy" defending. Ripley equalised after he had been given yards of space to advance on goal and Newell scored the winner after Kharine had flapped a cross into his path.

Hoddle seemed disheartened afterwards but made an effort to look on the bright side. "We are learning new things every day. That's what happens when you come to a new club." Peacock put the players' view: "The lads have not played this system before and it does take a bit of getting used to. Once we get it right, we will be a very good team."

Blackburn already look like a very good, if workmanlike, team but they are probably not good enough to start mounting a challenge for the championship until Shearer has recovered from his knee injury. Kenny Dalglish, the Blackburn manager, had not been tempted to play Shearer against Chelsea, despite a brief and successful appearance in a friendly the week before.

"When he is fit, he will play. But not before," Dalglish said. "It would be irresponsible to rush him back."

CHELSEA (3-1-4-2): D Kharine — F Sinclair, E Johnsen, A Dow (sub: D Lee, 81min) — G Hoddle — S Clarke, D Wise, G Peacock, M Donaghy — J Spencer (sub: R Fleck, 70). A Cascarino.
BLACKBURN ROVERS (4-4-2): R Mimms — D May (sub: M Berg, 83min), N Marker, K Moran, G Le Saux — S Ripley, M Atkins, T Sherwood, J Wilcox — K Gallacher, M Newell.
Referee: A Gunn.

Rangers assume regular place

By Our Sports Staff

IT TOOK Rangers until the middle of September to pull clear in the Scottish League last season; two games into the new campaign, they are already top of the premier division.

A hard-earned 2-1 win over St Johnstone at McDiarmid Park leaves Rangers as the only club with a maximum four points. However, the champions may have to play their next two games, away to Celtic and Dunfermline, without £10 million worth of talent.

Ally McCoist, Duncan Ferguson, Andy Goram, Gary Stevens, Dave McPherson and David Robertson have not kicked a ball this season, while Stuart McCall had a groin operation on Friday, Mark Hateley was hurt in training the same day and Ian Ferguson was carried off with an ankle injury against St Johnstone.

Paul Wright put St Johnstone ahead after an error by Richard Gough but the Rangers captain atoned with a 44th-minute header. Ferguson scored the second-half winner before sustaining his injury.

Partick Thistle, who scored 11 goals in the League Cup in midweek, were brought to earth with a 2-1 home defeat by **Dundee United**, who won with two headed goals from Christian Dailly.

While United have taken three points out of four, **Dundee** prop up the table after two defeats, **Motherwell** coming from behind to win 2-1 with goals from Rob McKinnon and Paul McGrillen.

Hibernian and **Celtic** fought out a 1-1 draw at Parkhead, but **Aberdeen** and **Heart of Midlothian** gained narrow victories over the two promoted sides, **Kilmarnock** and **Raith Rovers**. A Paul Kane goal helped Aberdeen overcome Kilmarnock, while John Robertson scored the winner as Hearts beat Raith 1-0.

Jimmy Nicholl, the Raith manager, is refusing to compromise his attacking philosophy, despite only one point out of a possible four. "We're only in the Premier League for a wee visit, so we're going to enjoy it," he said.

Sheringham brings touch of reality to proceedings

The glitter accompanying Newcastle United's return to the big time quickly lost its shine as a new season dawned. **Peter Ball** reports

FOR an hour on Saturday, Newcastle felt like the centre of the football world. Then the match started, and slowly reality began to puncture the euphoria as Osvaldo Ardiles's new team, Tottenham Hotspur, made his former one look distinctly second best during a 1-0 victory.

All the best moments for Newcastle United came before the kick-off. As Sir John Hall, the chairman, received the freedom of the city from the Lord Mayor and then Kevin Keegan, the manager, received the Football League championship flag and his first division manager-of-the-year award, the noise cascaded around St James' Park.

As the crowd poured out their admiration, Keegan's pre-game promise that Newcastle were embarking on a bid to claim Manchester United's title and match them as the country's leading power appeared beyond question. An hour and a half later, it was clear there is no need for Alex Ferguson to quake in his boots just yet as Tottenham put Tyneside's optimism firmly into perspective.

Keegan's new dawn began to look instead like all our Geordie yesterdays of promise unfulfilled. The bright new scoreboard went further, offering not so much déjà vu as straight nostalgia, listing the teams in the old WM formation, with two full backs, three half backs and five forwards.

But perhaps it was making a point, recalling the days when numbers on shirts reflected players' positions, rather than the ludicrous policy in the FA Carling Premiership this season. Squad numbers may be justified in the World Cup; they are an absurd affectation in the league, and so confused the Newcastle announcer that he got both teams wrong when he read them out.

For much of the time, Newcastle's players looked equally confused. Why were Tottenham not following the example of most of last season's visitors and surrendering meekly to the combination of Newcastle's attacks and the intimidating roars all around them?

Far from being intimidated, Spurs thrived on it. "If you can't get motivated for an occasion like that, you won't get motivated by anything," Sheringham, their goalscorer, said.

By contrast, Newcastle failed to match the occasion. "We got the freedom of the city, and then gave Spurs the freedom of the park," Keegan said.

"We are much better than that," he added. "There was a carnival atmosphere and I think the occasion got to some of the players. We had eleven players out there, and not one of them was capable of lifting us, they all had their own little struggles. I think they were wondering 'do we belong here?' and I think some of them didn't believe they did belong at this level. We are in with the big boys now, and if we play like that every week, we will lose every week."

That is a harsh judgment; its accuracy depends on how highly you judge Tottenham. "No one fancied them to win anything, they are in a period of transition, yet they've come here and dictated play," Barry Venison, the Newcastle full back, said. "We have got a right kick in the teeth today, but at least it has brought us right down to earth."

For Tottenham, Dozzell had a quiet debut, but others compensated. Thorstvedt and Calderwood impressed at the back, Samways added incisiveness to Spurs' passing and Sol Campbell's full debut suggested that he will be a man for the big occasion.

Above all there was Sheringham, his touch, intelligence and workrate making him a handful for a square, uncertain back four. His goal, timing his run in between Howey and Srnicek to meet Samways's perfect pass, was a delight. If Sheringham stays, and he says he is happy to do so, Tottenham will beat better teams than Newcastle were on Saturday.

NEWCASTLE UNITED (4-4-2): P Srnicek — B Venison, K Scott, S Howey, J Beresford — R Lee, P Bracewell, L Clark, N Papavasiliou (sub: L O'Brien, 75min) — A Cole, M Allen (sub: S Watson, 61min).
TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR (4-3-1-2): E Thorstvedt — D Austin, C Calderwood, G Mabbutt, S Campbell — D Howells, V Samways, S Sedgley — J Dozzell — G Durie (sub: A Turner, 73min). E Sheringham.
Referee: D Allison.



Sheringham: handful

Clough supplies dividend on wise investment policy

Liverpool began the season in promising style with victory over Sheffield Wednesday. **Keith Pike** reports from a euphoric Anfield

THOSE who went to Anfield confident of witnessing the reawakening of an English football giant were euphoric after Liverpool's 2-0 victory over Sheffield Wednesday on Saturday. It was understandable, but perhaps they should reserve judgment a while longer.

After two years of expensive and unwise transfer dealings, Graeme Souness knows the job he held on to against expectations last season still hangs in the balance. Successive sixth placings in the championship would guarantee some managers the freedom of the city, but not at Liverpool. If they are not challenging for the FA Carling Premiership by Christmas, Souness may yet be taking an extended winter holiday. Time remains his greatest enemy.

The signs are, though, that Souness has at last invested wisely. It may have cost him the best part of £5 million, but the acquisition of Neil Ruddock and Nigel Clough has given his team the heart and the brains so lacking for much of last season.

There was little risk attached to the purchase of Ruddock. A stopper in the mould of Ron Yeats, he has developed an immediate rapport with Liverpool's supporters, if not yet with Mark Wright, his partner in the centre of defence. While Ruddock is prepared to thunder into headers and tackles with relish, and move forward to such effect at set-pieces, the Kop are likely to forgive his occasional recklessness.

The more intriguing signing was that of Clough, who has neither the pace or purposefulness of Keegan nor the presence of Dalglish, Liverpool's most revered former No 7s, but an intuitiveness which has rarely been fully exploited by club or country. After a season battling in vain to save his father's job at Nottingham Forest, Clough already seems reinvigorated. His two goals on Saturday were celebrated by a man who appeared content with his new responsibilities.

It remains to be seen, however, whether Souness will get the best out him. Whatever Clough is — and despite a commendable average of a goal every three games for Forest, he is not a natural striker — he is at his most effective when facing the opposition's goal, creating space and then delivering passes to others. Now, as Souness's preferred partner for Ian Rush, he is having to drop out of the firing line to link with his midfield colleagues. How much more potent Liverpool would be if Dean Saunders was still there to capitalise on Clough's precision.

None of that seemed to concern the majority on Saturday. Two hours before kick-off there was not a parking space to be had within a couple of miles of Anfield, and the great stadium reverberated with acclaim as Wednesday were seen off.

Liverpool's task had been made easier by the sending-off in the thirteenth minute of Palmer, whose lunging challenge on Molby long after the ball had gone was properly punished by Gerald Ashby. It was not the least encouraging moment of the afternoon: here was a referee prepared to act decisively, no matter that it was early in the match or that the perpetrator was an England international.

Wednesday, without Palmer to protect Sheridan, were robbed of both their playmaker and their midfield lungs, and how Liverpool made them pay, exploiting the space with their traditional virtues of passing and movement. Clough scored thrillingly from 20 yards just before half-time and more routinely just after it when Woods failed to hold Ruddock's header, and had Liverpool not eased off it could have been a rout.

"There were shades of the Liverpool of old," Tommy Smith, a vociferous critic of the Souness regime, said, "but it is only the beginning." The doubts, rightly, will persist a while longer.

LIVERPOOL (4-4-2): B Grobbelaar — R Jones, M Wright, N Ruddock, S Bjornebye — S Nicol, R Whelan, J Molby (sub: J Redknapp, 74min), M Walters — I Rush, N Clough.
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (4-4-2): C Woods — R Nilsson, D Walker, A Pearce, P King — C Bart-Williams (sub: G Hyde, 58min), C Palmer, J Sheridan, N Worthington — P Warhurst (sub: M Bright, 81), D Hirst.
Referee: G Ashby.



Clough: on target

Whittingham powder stays dry as Villa fire opening salvo

Russell Kempson watches last season's runners-up make an impressive start in their attempt to go one better this term

GUY Whittingham, former army corporal, former leading goalscorer, will have to wait a little longer to test his artillery in the FA Carling Premiership. Dalian Atkinson and Dean Saunders, the other two thirds of Aston Villa's £5.1 million strike force, fired the first shots at Villa Park on Saturday and struck bullseye in the 4-1 win over Queens Park Rangers.

Whittingham had sat patiently on the substitutes' bench for an hour, itching for action. Forty-seven goals for Portsmouth last season, a £1.2 million move and Villa's continued inability to convert territorial superiority into scoresheet reality suggested an imminent introduction. At 1-1, Rangers were threatening to spoil the show.

Instead, Ron Atkinson, the Villa manager, opted for finesse rather than firepower. Gordon Cowans, 34, a free transfer from Blackburn Rovers and back for his third spell at the club, was brought on to direct affairs. Saunders responded three minutes later by gliding in a sweet right-foot shot and Villa were back on track again.

Even then, Rangers had sufficient chances to glean a point. Ferdinand twice went close to adding to his 44th minute equaliser with firm headers before injury-time gems from Atkinson and Staunton gave Villa a flattering victory.

"You'll have to go a long way to see five better goals," Ron Atkinson said, a mixture of admiration and relief tinging his post-match verdict. "We could have been well ahead after only half an hour but I'll settle for what we got in the end."

Lack of finishing expertise — just 15 goals in their closing 17 matches — blunted Villa's Premier League title run-in last season. Hence the purchase of Whittingham, 28, to reignite Saunders and Atkinson and create as potent a three-pronged attack as there is in the Premiership, even if a third of it starts each game on the sidelines.

Ron Atkinson viewed the need for midfield muscle, too. Andy Townsend was enlisted from Chelsea for £2.1 million and will tread where others fear in Villa's cause. "He gets his foot in and wins the ball," Staunton, his Ireland teammate, said. "That was something we lacked last season."

Once Townsend has gained possession, he also knows how to use it to best effect. He threaded a pass through for Atkinson's neatly-taken 39th-minute opener and provided a cutting edge to Villa's pretty yet unproductive early play. "Andy is good at breaking things up," Kevin Richardson, the Villa captain, said. "I reckon he and I will hunt well together."

Rangers will claim robbery in the final analysis. Until the arrival of Cowans, they had clawed their way into a challenging position through the guile of Wilkins and the ceaseless energy of Impey and Ferdinand.

Although without the injured Bardsley and McDonald and Sinton, who wants to leave, they still rattled a strangely uncoordinated Villa defence. It is not often you see Paul McGrath react in sheer panic, slice the ball into the air with increasing frequency and look generally ill-at-ease with all going on around him.

But with Sinton seeking fame and fortune elsewhere, and several of his colleagues also wondering whether their futures lie at little Loftus Road, London's leading club last season is not an entirely together unit at present. Deemed unfashionable is a curse hard to live with: it forever breeds unrest.

"As a former player, I understand the situation," Gerry Francis, the Rangers manager, said. "There are greater rewards to be made out there. It's very frustrating for me but that's the way of the smaller clubs."

Ron Atkinson, having spent £13 million in two years at Villa Park, has no such worries.

ASTON VILLA (4-4-2): N Spink — S Staunton, S Teale, P McGrath, E Ramsell — A Daley, A Townsend, K Richardson, R Houghton (sub: G Cowans, 59min) — D Atkinson, D Saunders.
QUEENS PARK RANGERS (4-4-2): A Roberts — C Wilson, A Witter, D Peacock, K Reacty — I Holloway (sub: D White, 83min), R Wilkins, S Barker, A Impey — B Allen, L Ferdinand.
Referee: K Morton

Hoddle's brave new world on hold

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Barnet lose a match but win their battle to stay alive



Simon Barnes on why a second division club's survival proves that football does not conform to the logic of business

Underhill was a place where hobbits lived. It is also the place where Barnet Football Club lived: and amazingly, it still lives on. It would hardly be more surprising to find hobbits at Underhill than a team of Barnet footballers, all actually playing football.

For the place has been under siege by the dark riders of footballing despair: Debt, Disaster, and Ruin have trampled the club underfoot. On Saturday, the sinister tube trains propelled by the Lord of the Underworld rattled around the ground of Underhill, but Barnet defied them and all their dark ways.

On a sunlit August afternoon, they played, they actually played a game of football, in the second division of the actual Football League. They had 11 players running about, all of whom had had their wages paid. Surely miracles will never cease. They also had a full core of substitutes that included the new manager, Gary Phillips, picking himself as substitute goalkeeper.

True, they lost the football match, but that was a small matter. Playing at all was miracle enough for one Saturday. Hull City beat them 2-1: "We gave away two sloppy goals, and we had a cracker from a corner," Phillips said. Optimism is a kind of industrial disease in football, you see.

If this were not the case, Barnet would have gone under. It seemed a formality. There has been trouble about players' pay, questions about taxation and National Insurance. Various questions have been asked about the book-keeping.

Cheques bounced, last season's promotion bonuses were never paid, and when there was no shortfall in players' wages, it was generally because there were no wages at all. Eleven players were given free transfers by the League.

The League fined the club £50,000 for financial irregularities, but that didn't make the club snap out of it. Aldershot. Maidstone. Barnet simply had to be next League club to go extinct.

Behind the whole business was the somewhat strange and eccentric figure of Stan Flashman. At first it seemed a charming story of a fat baron donating his lands to the church in his dotage: a sporting profiteer turned sporting benefactor. He took his jolly little non-League club up to the Football League.

But Flashman has been ill, Flashman has got more and more Howard Hughes-like, and Flashman's business habits have grown increasingly strange. The popular saviour turned in the end into just another hate-figure chairman.

The club was required by the League to put up a bond of half a million quid, and to face a vote from league chairmen to chuck them out of the league. The end was in sight. But it has not happened. Extraordinary. If ever anything proved that football does not follow the inexorable logic that governs business in these hard times, the Barnet affair did. Had Barnet FC been a firm of plumbers, it would have been bankrupt and buried.

Barnet FC has survived on a vast surge of public will. The supporters have already raised £120,000 — and considering there were only 2,129 at the match on Saturday, this argues a great deal of support among people who don't actually go to the matches.

These platonic supporters just like having a football club about the place. All football clubs have a vast hidden constituency. It is not a worship of success. It is not even a great love of football. Rather, the *idea of a football club* has something to do with people and their relationship with the place they live. To follow the fortunes of a football club, even platonically, is to have a link with a place and its history.

Parochialism, you can call it. Parochialism helped to save Barnet: when the vote to expel the club was counted, the 75 per cent majority needed to throw them out did not materialise. There were 38 voting against them, one abstention, and just 18 in favour. Incredibly, 13 clubs did not trouble to vote at all: getting on for 20 per cent.

So Barnet, lifted by the devout parochialism of their own supporters and by the head-in-the-sand parochialism of others, hung on. They were let off the need to put up the half-a-million quid bond. And allowed to play football.

Saturday was only the second time the team has played together. "We need to have a few drinks together. That'll sort us out," Phillips said. "We are as secure as any club in the League now. I want to stay here for several years."

Football is not a simple matter of kicking footballs. Nor is running a football club simply a matter of trying not to spend more than you earn. Every aspect of football is saturated with passion. The notion of the local club — the giant of the inner city, or the plucky little club from the small town or the suburb — is tied up with passion.

Passion, yes, but a passion for what? Not victory, certainly, or only a handful of clubs in the country would have any supporters at all. It is a passion for identity, for involvement, for the switchback ride of triumph and despair: a passion, if you like, for passion itself. Barnet survived because in the heart of a rather demure suburban town lurks a passionate need for passion.

Nice goal, too. They need a few more of them, and a few more quids as well. But even in Barnet, it seems that the well of passion is bottomless.

BARNET (4-4-2): A Pape — M Newson, D Barnett, A Walker, G Cooper — B Merwood, G Smith, C Hoddle (sub: N Evans, 70min), A Lynch — K Haag. *M Carter* (sub: S Close, 55min)
HULL CITY (4-4-2): S Wilson — B Mitchell, L Warren, N Alkson, G Hobson — D Norton, D Windass, G Abbott, G Atkinson — S Moran, L Brown.
Referee: P Danson.

Small sent off for arguing with referee

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

JAMES Small, the South African wing, has been suspended for one match after becoming the first Springbok to be sent off in a rugby union international match. Small admitted verbally abusing Ed Morrison, the English referee, during the second game between Australia and South Africa in Brisbane, which Australia won 28-20 to level the series. Small, 24, from the Natal club, was sent off in the seventieth minute when Australia were leading 28-13.

Morrison lost his patience when he twice advanced a penalty as the South Africans argued with his decision.

Criticised after their 19-12 opening defeat in Sydney a fortnight earlier, the world champion Wallabies restored their credibility.

Determined to make up for their consecutive losses to South Africa and New Zealand, the Wallabies gained a record number of points in 31 internationals against South Africa.

It bettered their win against the Springboks in Cape Town last August, their first meeting in 21 years, and was their first win against South Africa on home soil since their 12-8 victory here in 1965.

The Australians, Rod McCall and Garrick Morgan, captured the lineout possession 20-14 and the forwards took the rucks and mauls 24-21. Australia's key personnel played decisive roles. At half back Nick Farr-Jones was much sharper than in Sydney and his distribution from scrums and lineouts gave Little and centre partner, Tim Horan quality possession.

Australia's selectors have retained an unchanged team for the third and deciding match against South Africa in Sydney on Saturday. Ilie Tabua, Jason Little, and Marty Roebuck will have to undergo pre-match fitness tests.

South Africa face Sydney in their penultimate tour outing on Wednesday night.

SCORERS: Australia: Tries: Little (2), Horan. Conversions: Roebuck (2). Penalty goals: Roebuck (3). South Africa: Tries: Stransky, Oliver. Conversions: Stransky (2). Penalty goals: Stransky (2)
AUSTRALIA: M Roebuck; D Smith, J Little (rep: A Herbert), T Horan, D Campese; S Bowen, N Farr-Jones; T Daly, P Kearns (captain), E McKenzie, D Wilson, G Morgan, R McCall, I Tabua, T Gavin
SOUTH AFRICA: H Reece-Edwards; J Olivier, P Muller, H Fula, J Small; J Stransky, R Du Preez; K Andrews, U Schmidt, B Swart, F Pienaar (captain), N Wegner, H Strydom, D Lotter, T Strauss

Forest earn point but exhibit old failings

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BY KEITH PIKE

A NEW manager, a new league, but this was the same old Forest. The failings that haunted them throughout last season, culminating in their relegation from the Premier League, were there for all to see and their supporters to bemoan again yesterday at Roots Hall.

Not that Forest lacked their traditional panache or lumped the ball forward aimlessly; far from it. Frank Clark, their new manager, says he is not prepared to compromise the principles established by Brian Clough on the altar of Endsleigh Insurance League expediency, and yesterday Forest were as good as his word.

But for every thoughtful ball played to feet last season, there was seemingly a crass error at the back which cost a goal, and for each fluent attack a glaring miss. The personnel may have changed, as well as the competition, but at times it was hard to detect a significant improvement, as Forest still seem to have a tendency for self-destruction.

Forest should have won handsomely. Instead, they nearly lost. Three-quarters of the possession and just about all of the worthwhile chances came their way, but it would have counted for nothing had Derek Payne, the diminutive Southend midfield player, not lost his head after doing so well to keep his feet 10 minutes from time. Payne, put through by Gary Jones, cleverly rounded Crossley, but from a difficult angle rolled his shot wide of the far post.

Still, there was much to commend in Forest's performance. They showed that they are prepared to mix it, as they will have to do for nine months if they are to justify their position as promotion favourites. They have also adapted quickly to the loss of nearly £6 million worth of ball-playing talent in Roy Keane and Nigel Clough, having found in Steve Stone a promising if unheralded replacement.

And they still have Stuart Pearce to drive them forward. Rampaging down the flank in typical fashion, it was Pearce who inspired many of Forest's attacks, but not before his indiscretion had led to Southend's early goal. Less than a minute had elapsed when Pearce thundered into the back of Keith Jones, elbow first, as they challenged for a high ball on half-way. Pearce was duly cautioned and Forest, in turn, punished.

The free kick, flicked on by Angell, should not have caused too many problems, but as the defenders in front of him hesitated, Crossley came charging unwisely from his line. He succeeded only in clattering into Sussex, the ball rolling almost apologetically over the line off the Southend striker. It was a goal that came straight out of last season's manual.

Crossley, who later needed six stitches, played on with his cut head heavily bandaged, and it said for much for Forest's dominance that for an hour he was not tested.

Had it not been for two goal-line clearances by Powell, to deny Stone and Cooper, Forest would have been comfortably ahead by half-time. They did achieve parity, however, when Scully up-ended Glover as he jinked into the area. The penalty was unarguable, and the conversion by Pearce emphatic.

In the later stages, Southend discovered fresh impetus as Otto found a regular way past Lyttle on the right flank. Their *storming finish* nearly brought its reward through Payne. Clark will know now, if he did not before, that pedigree will count for nothing at this level.

SOUTHEND UNITED (4-4-2): P Sansome — A Edwards, P Scully (sub: G Jones, 32min), G Bressington, C Powell — A Ansah (sub: J Hunt, 88), K Jones, D Payne, R Otto — B Angell, A Sussex.
NOTTINGHAM FOREST (4-4-2): M Crossley — D Lyttle, C Cooper, S Chettle, S Pearce — K Black, S Stone, N Webb, I Wosn (sub: L Harvey, 76min) — L Glover (sub: B Laws, 83), R Rosano.
Referee: M Bailey.



HUGH ROUTLEDGE

Celebration time: Sussex, left, the Southend striker, delights in his goal yesterday as Crossley, the Nottingham Forest goalkeeper, lies injured

Swindon surrender in style

Christopher Irvine sees the newcomers to the top flight beaten 3-1 by Sheffield United

LOOKING like Brazil is one thing, playing like them another. The sartorial elegance of Swindon Town's blue and gold change strip is matched by a stylish and refreshingly carefree attacking approach that their manager, John Gorman, insists will remain his side's philosophy, no matter what.

The "what" refers not only to predictions of a swift return to the first division for Swindon, but also the hole in front of their goal. Gorman confided that more spending was necessary to rectify this. The pity is that the money will come from the enforced sale to Tottenham Hotspur of Colin Calderwood.

It was Calderwood's imposing presence in defence, as well as that of the injured Paul Bodin, rather than the inspiration of Glenn Hoddle, Gorman's predecessor, that Swindon missed most in a 3-1 defeat by Sheffield United at Bramall Lane on Saturday. Against the direct, off-the-peg football of the visitors, Swindon's natty made-to-measure style came unstitched, horribly so in the end.

Until Jan Fjortoft, a £500,000 buy from Rapid Vienna, limped off in the seventieth minute Swindon were making a decent fist of it at 1-1. With the loss of Fjortoft went the touch and control that had enabled White and Maskell profitably to run into space.

Survival, in Dave Bassett's language, means grit, no compromise, a few long balls and a target man to thump them at. There is life after Brian Deane, as the wonderful foraging of Andy Scott, signed from Sutton United last season, underlined.

Scott was denied the home side's third goal by Digby, who parried his shot only for Rogers to pounce. Bradshaw's flicked header from another cross by Whitehouse had exposed the deficiency of Swindon at the back, which was not helped by Nijholt giving away free kicks almost as frequently as possession.

When the Dutchman fouled Bradshaw on the right edge of the box in the 21st minute, Whitehouse found the forehead of Falconer, whereupon Swindon remembered their lines. Moncur equalised from a free kick but teams in the top flight do not spurn gifts in front of goal, like those presented to Maskell and White in the second period, and get away with it.

SHEFFIELD UNITED (4-4-2): A Kelly — M Ward (sub: K Gage, 83min), P Beesley, D Tuttle, J Pemberton — C Bradshaw, W Falconer, P Rogers, D Whitehouse (sub: A Littlejohn, 88) — A Cork, A Scott.
SWINDON TOWN (5-2-3): F Digby — N Summerbee, L Nijholt, R MacLaren, A Whitbread, S Taylor — J Moncur, S White — M Ling, J Fjortoft (sub: K Horlock, 70min), C Maskell.
Referee: I Borrett.

Hammam's folly difficult to erase

BY KEITH PIKE

WITH an injudicious scrawl on a dressing-room wall at Upton Park on Saturday, Sam Hammam has linked his name indelibly with the excesses of the Wimbledon regime he is so proud to represent.

Vinnie Jones may indeed be a reasonable target for bicycle-shed humour, even if he is one of your own players, but while the childish and obscene graffiti which Hammam, the Wimbledon managing director, admits he daubed in felt-tip pen was eventually removed, the damage will not be as easily erased.

Wimbledon's rise from non-league football to FA Cup winners has produced delight and contempt, but hardly in equal measure. Those few with an affection for his club will feel embarrassed: those who love to hate Wimbledon have simply been given extra ammunition.

It is hard not to share West Ham's outrage at Hammam's indiscretion, which will doubtless have repercussions far beyond yesterday's headlines. Once the report on the incident by Chief Inspector Ivan Brown has been forwarded to the Football Association, Hammam can expect to become the first club owner to be charged with bringing the game into disrepute.

Doubtless he will fight his corner. Hammam has never been an apologist for Wimbledon's extremes, whether it be players dropping their shorts at a testimonial match or their persistently miserable misconduct record. Those expecting the merest sign of contrition yesterday were wasting their time.

"Football is my hobby. It gives me the chance to let my hair down." Hammam said. "I am not like some chairmen who want to run their clubs from miles away with binoculars."

That is Hammam's way — keen to encourage the notorious "Crazy Gang" spirit at Wimbledon, determined to champion the cause of the underdog. His enthusiasm manifests itself in more laudable ways, however. It is Hammam who acts as a ball-boy on the deserted terraces at Selhurst Park and who spends hours discussing football with the club's youngest supporters, always with an engaging smile and ready wit. It is sad that he cannot consistently channel his energies in the right direction.



Hammam: injudicious

Pony Club tournament triumph for Beaufort

BY JOHN WATSON

THE Beaufort won the Rendell Cup, the under-18 event, beating the Old Berkshire 2-1, as the Polaris Pony Club polo championships were completed at Cowdray Park, Sussex, yesterday.

This category of the game, which is unique to Britain, has been the nursery of most of the country's foremost players. the tournaments being watched closely each year by the Hurlingham Association, who award the Pony Club scholarships. The championships involved 52 teams, who camped at Cowdray Park, along with their ponies.

The Staff College (received ½) carried off the *Daily Telegraph* Trophy in the Gannon section, the under-21 competition, with a 5½-4 victory against the Beaufort.

The Staff College formed one of the strongest duos seen in Pony Club polo. This was composed of Nick Brister and Chris Hyde, playing No 3 and back respectively.

The Enfield Chace ran out winners of the Handley Cross under-14 tournament, beating the Vale of Aylesbury 4-2.

The Texaco Trophy, for the best turned out team in the Handley Cross, went to the Pytchley. The Tic Tac Trophy, for a pony-player combination in the Handley Cross, was won by Bianca West (Southdown East).

Teams
Rendell Tournament
BEAUFORT: 1, R Peyton-Philips; 2, S Farmer; 3, A Stuart-Hunt; Back: J Meade
OLD BERKSHIRE: 1, C Thomer; 2, K Leach; 3, J Haigh; Back: T Hartley.
Gannon Tournament
STAFF COLLEGE: 1, L Horswell; 2 R Lee-Uff; 3, N Brister; Back: C Hyde.
BEAUFORT: 1, A Harvey; 2, E Tomlinson; 3, L Tomlinson; Back: H Sidebottom.
Handley Cross Tournament
ENFIELD CHACE: 1, V Evans; 2, H Emslie; 3, B Emslie; Back, D Lines.
VALE OF AYLESBURY: 1, M Betz; 2, M Williams; 3, L Croft; Back: C Bazzard.
OTHER RESULTS. Jorrocks Cup (under 12): 1, Cotswold; 2, Quorn. Loriners Cup (under 18). 1, Vale of Aylesbury; 2, Beaufort. Polo Quarterly scholarship: J Fisher (Cowdray). Polaris junior award: J Good (Southdown East). Polaris senior award: C Hyde (Staff College). Mary Taylor Trophy: C Hesling (Pytchley). Lodsworth polo stick: J Stevens (Cowdray).

WEEKEND'S FOOTBALL

FA Carling Premiership

ARSENAL 24,897	(0)	0	COVENTRY Quinn 34 (pen), 62, 65	(1) 3
A VILLA Atkinson 38, 90 Saunders 61 Staunton 90	(1)	4	QPR Ferdinand 44 32,994	(1) 1
CHELSEA Peacock 48 29,189	(0)	1	BLACKBURN Ripley 83 Newell 78	(0) 2
LIVERPOOL Clough 39, 47	(1)	2	SHEFF WED 44,004	(0) 0
MAN CITY Fitzroll 86 32,366	(0)	1	LEEDS Deane 90	(0) 1
NEWCASTLE 35,216	(0)	0	TOTTENHAM Sheringham 36	(1) 1
OLDHAM 12,182	(0)	0	IPSWICH Marshall 41 Palmer 45 Mason 69	(2) 3
SHEFF UTD Falconer 21 Bradshaw 76 Rogers 83	(1)	3	SWINDON Moncur 46 20,904	(0) 1
SOUTHMPTN 14,051	(0)	0	EVERTON Beagrie 10 Ebbrell 44	(2) 2
WEST HAM 20,363	(0)	0	WIMBLEDON Fashanu 63 Sanchez 72	(0) 2

Yesterday

NORWICH 19,705	(0)	0	MAN UTD Giggs 28, Robson 58	(1) 2

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Championship match: Dover 2, Stourbridge 1 (aet). NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE. Challenge Shield. Southport 5, Stourbridge 1.
KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Aberystwyth Caersws 1, Inter Cardiff 2; Cwmbran 1, Connah's Quay 0. Flint Town Utd 2, Ebbw Vale 1; Haverfordwest 0, Conwy 2; Llanelli 1, Holywell 3, Llansantffraid 3, Briton Ferry 1; Porthmadog 0, Maesteg Park 2; Ton Pentre 2, Mold 1
LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Cup: Cobh Ramblers 2, Cork C 4; Marvue U 2, Limerick C 0; Bohemians 0, Shelbourne 1.
ULSTER CUP: Sectional Matches: Ards 0, Portadown 3; Bangor 1, Glentoran 0; Coleraine 1, Cliftonville 2. Crusaders 4, Glenavon 2, Larne 1, Carrick 3; Lindfield 2, Distillery 2, Newry 1, Ballymena 2, Omagh Town 0, Ballyclare 1

Endsleigh Insurance League

First division

BARNSLEY Anderson 70 12,940	(0)	1	WEST BROM Donovan 89	(0) 1
CHARLTON Chapple 39 7,708	(1)	1	BIRMINGHAM	(0) 0
C PALACE 14,785	(0)	0	TRANMERE	(0) 0
DERBY Pembridge 10 (pen), 45 Gabbiadini 40 Kitson 65 Short 68	(3)	5	SUNDERLAND 18,027	(0) 0
GRIMSBY 8,593	(0)	0	BOLTON	(0) 0
LEICESTER Thompson 12 (pen) James 15	(2)	2	PETERBORO Cooper 31 (pen) 14,400	(1) 1
LUTON Telfer 51 Dhaw 83	(0)	2	WATFORD Furlong 87	(0) 1
NOTTS COUNTY 9,149	(0)	2	MIDDLESBRO Draper 69 (pen) Land 74	(2) 3
OXFORD UTD Symons (og) 19 Allen 40 Magilton 64 (pen)	(2)	3	PORTSMTH Chapman 24, 42 8,550	(2) 2
STOKE McCarthy (og) 28 18,785	(1)	1	MILLWALL Bogle 14 Murray 62	(1) 2
WOLVES Bull 9, 67 Mountfield 67 21,052	(1)	3	BRISTOL CITY Scott 58	(0) 1

Yesterday

SOUTHEND Sussex 2 8,609	(1)	1	NOTTM FOR Pearce 22 (pen)	(1) 1

Second division

BARNET Walker 19 2,129	(1)	1	HULL Abbott 5 Brown 39	(2) 2
BRADFORD McCarthy 34 Jewell 32 12,940	(2)	2	BRIGHTON 6,074	(0) 0
BRENTFORD Allon 16 Gayle 46 5,535	(1)	2	EXETER Daniels 15	(1) 1
BRISTOL R 7,234	(0)	0	BOURNEMTH Fletcher 74	(0) 1
BURNLEY Joyce 15, 54 12,594	(1)	2	PORT VALE Taylor 35	(1) 1
CAMB UTD Heathcote 27 Dancey 32 Butler 70 4,993	(2)	3	BLACKPOOL Griffiths 43 (pen) Quinn 89	(1) 2
CARDIFF Blake 51 Griffith 82	(0)	2	LEYTON ORIENT 9,926	(0) 0
HARTLPOOL 3,133	(0)	0	FULHAM Brazil 12	(1) 1
HUDDERSFIELD 6,415	(0)	0	READING Goodlass 15 Quinn 38 Lovell 89	(2) 3
PLYMOUTH Evans 89 Comyn 90 6,663	(0)	2	STOCKPORT Francis 35, 67 Preece 80	(1) 3
WREXHAM Barnett 2, 49 (2 pens) Seford 88 5,570	(1)	3	ROTHERHAM Banks 22 Foster 75 Goodwin 89	(1) 3
YORK Barnes 13, 49 4,596	(1)	2	SWANSEA Hodge 57	(0) 1

Third division

BURY 2,540	(0)	0	NORTHAMPTN	(0) 0
CARLISLE Thomas 19 Caton 83 7,752	(1)	2	WYCOMBE Curran (og) 41 Guppy 78	(1) 2
CHESTER 2,752	(0)	0	DONCASTER Mills 75	(0) 1
COLCHESTR Kinsella 55 3,158	(0)	1	LINCOLN	(0) 0
DARLINGTN Hinnsworth 84 2,327	(0)	1	ROCHDALE Thackeray 72	(0) 1
GILLINGHAM 3,485	(0)	0	CHESTERFLD Morris 39 Jules 89	(1) 2
HEREFORD 2,157	(0)	0	SCARBORO Young 31	(1) 1
MANSFIELD Noteman 68 2,983	(0)	1	SHREWSBURY	(0) 0
PRESTON 6,079	(0)	0	CREWE Vickers 19 Clarkson 84	(1) 2
WALSALL R McDonald 65 3,324	(0)	1	TORQUAY Byng 43, 52	(1) 2
WIGAN 2,933	(0)	0	SCUNTHRPE Mudd 83 Smith 89	(0) 2

SE COUNTIES LEAGUE. First division: Chelsea 1, Arsenal 3; Gillingham 0, Charlton 2; Ipswich 2, Norwich 1; Millwall 6, Fulham 1; Portsmouth 2, QPR 6; Southend 2, Camb Utd 1; Tottenham 6, Leyton Orient 0; West Ham 4, Watford 0.
NW COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Bacup B 0, Atherton LR 0; Blackpool R 0, Newcastle T 1; Bootle 2, Penrith 1; Burscough 3, Maine Road 0; Clitheroe 0, Glossop N End 1; Darwen 2, St Helens 1; E Hanley 0, Chadderton 1; Flixton 5, Skelmersdale 1; Kidsgrove 0, Nantwich 0; Prescot 2, Bradford Pk A 0; Salford 2, Rossendale 1.

Scottish League

Premier Division

ABERDEEN Kane 46	(0)	1	KILMARNOCK 14,000	(0) 0
CELTIC Nicholas 10 27,000	(1)	1	HIBERNIAN Tweed 85	(0) 1
DUNDEE Dykstra (og) 4 4,356	(1)	1	MOTHERWLL McGinlan 51 McGillan 71	(0) 2
HEARTS Robertson 50	(0)	1	RAITH 8,567	(0) 0
PARTICK Craig 67 5,018	(0)	1	DUNDEE UTD Dailly 24, 71	(1) 2
ST JOHNSTNE Wright 4 10,152	(1)	1	RANGERS Gough 44 Ferguson 51	(1) 2

WORLD CUP: Qualifying play-off: Second leg: (Sydney): Australia 2, Canada 1 (aet, agg 3-3, Australia won 4-1 on pens and meet second-placed team from South American group).
BELGIUM: Cercle Brugge 0, Ostend 0; FC Liege 1, Lommel 1; Genk 0, Standard Liege 2; Molenbeek 2, Charleroi 4; Mechelen 3, Beveren 1
FRANCE: Bordeaux 2, Nantes 0; Strasbourg 2, Cannes 2; Sochaux 0, Lyon 1; Angers 1, Montpellier 3; Montpellier 0, Monaco 3; Metz 0, Auxerre 0; Caen 1, Lens 0; St Etienne 2, Toulouse 2; Lille 2, Le Havre 2
GERMANY: Kaiserslautern 4, B Moenchengladbach 2; B Leverkusen 2, B Munich 1; Freiburg 4, Wattenscheid 1; Karlsruhe 2, Hamburg 0; E Frankfurt 2, W Bremen 2; D Dresden 0, Duisburg 1; Nuremberg 1, Cologne 0.

First division

AIRDRIE Davenport 66	(0)	1	BRECHIN 1,250	(0) 0
AYR McCormack (og) 49 Scott 63	(2)	2	STIRLING McKenna 81 1,503	(0) 1
DUMBARTON Boyd 30 Gibson 40, 72	(2)	3	CLYDE 923	(0) 0
DUNFERLNE 3,088	(0)	0	CLYDEBANK Flannigan 52 Harvey 77	(0) 2
HAMILTON 2,589	(0)	0	ST MIRREN	(0) 0
MORTON Doak 70 4,500	(0)	1	FALKIRK Gallette 34 Duffy 61, 88 Taggart 75 Shaw 80	(1) 5

Second division

ALLOA 421	(0)	0	COWDNBTH Henderson 8	(1) 1
EAST FIFE Allen (og) 5 Long 74 Sojo 83	(1)	3	STENHSMUIR 767	(0) 0
EAST STIRLNG Sykes 37 Russell 47 301	(1)	2	BERWICK Banks 65	(0) 1
FORFAR Bingham 24, 58, 85	(1)	3	ALBION 555	(0) 0
MEADOWBNK McLeod 43 258	(1)	1	STRANRAER Sloan 44 Oliver 85, 87	(1) 3
MONTROSE 1,379	(0)	0	ARBROATH	(0) 0
QN OF STH McGinlay 34, 70 (pen) Thomson 44 Mallen 52 Bryce 90	(2)	5	QUEEN'S PARK O'Brien 23 O'Neill 64 878	(1) 2

HOLLAND: Willem II Tilburg 1, MVV Maastricht 0; SC Heerenveen 1, Sparta Rotterdam 0; Go Ahead Eagles Deventer 1, Vitesse Arnham 4; NAC Breda 2, Roda JC Kerkrade 3; Ajax Amsterdam 3, RKC Waalwijk 0; FC Groningen 1, PSV Eindhoven 2; FC Volendam 2, FC Utrecht 2; Feyenoord Rotterdam 1, Cambuur Leeuwarden 0; FC Twente 3, VW Venlo 0.
JAPAN: Shimizu S-Pulse 1, Nagoya Grampus Eight 0 (aet); JEF United Ichihara 3, Urawa Red Diamonds 2; Gamba Osaka 2, Yokohama Marinos 1; Yokohama Flugels 2, Kashima Antlers 1; Verdy Kawasaki 3, Sanfrecce Hiroshima 0.

POOLS CHECK

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58
1½	1½	1½	1½	3	1½	1½	1½	1½	3	1½	1½	2	2	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	2	2½	1½	1½	3	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	3	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	2	1½	1½	1½	1½	2	1½	1½	1½

FORECAST: Dividends are very good and claims should be made for 21pts.

Guarded optimism for Grand Lodge

Julian Muscat finds William Jarvis haunted by memories as attention focuses on his promising juvenile colt at York tomorrow

William Jarvis does not quite know what to make of it. His thought process, normally quite uncluttered, has been swamped by visions of a striking chestnut colt bounding his way down York racecourse towards the winning post.

Yet in the next moment Jarvis is back on his heels, guarding against perilous predictions on the future of Grand Lodge, the juvenile who etched an indelible impression on all who witnessed his six-length debut romp on King George day at Ascot last month.

In a sense, Jarvis, 32, has travelled this route before. Four years ago Contract Law was the horse in question, his dazzling Richmond Stakes victory prompting dreams of classic proportions until a knee injury shattered all such aspirations at a stroke.

These are still haunting memories for the resident of Phantom Lodge Stables in Newmarket. His pragmatic approach to tomorrow's Acomb Stakes at York, where Grand Lodge attempts to further his growing reputation, is more a safeguard against hype than a lack of belief in the son of the American stallion Chief's Crown.

Victory for the colt, looked after by Willie Carson's son, Tony, would go a long way towards liberating Jarvis from the ghost of Contract Law.

It would also offer recompense from two seasons in the doldrums. The Jarvis operation climbed an upward curve for five years after he started training in 1985, during which heavy hitters like Shaikh Mohammed, Cheveley Park Stud, Lord Howard de Walden, Tony Budge and Fahd Salman patronised the stable.

"Racing has now become a tremendously competitive industry," he said. "We've found it tough in the last couple of years. Two or three bad seasons on the back of the recession and you're swiftly heading for a fall from grace."

Jarvis has not retained all the big names his early success generated. However, he is fortunate not to be mentally taxed by the huge mortgage costs afflicting so many of his Newmarket contemporaries, and the fact that he descends from a long line of equine practitioners means he has inherited the loyalty of some owners who were with his late and much-loved father, Ryan.

To this day, Jarvis still has more home-breds than commercially-reared animals among his string of 42.

He is the antithesis of the modern-day, hustling type of trainer. Having been brought up in a household characterised by racing tradition, Jarvis quickly learned the value of an owner's loyalty. All the better, therefore, that Grand Lodge campaigns in the apricot silks of one of his staunchest supporters, Lord Howard de Walden.

Jarvis attracted Lord Howard's attention during a five-year stint as assistant to Henry Cecil at Warren Place. He describes his flamboyant former mentor, who is never likely to consider the more sober Jarvis for one of his "best tie awards", as "a man who runs an amazing operation".

Indeed, it was to Cecil that Jarvis turned for assistance recently. "I don't have any other two-year-olds at Grand Lodge's stage of development, so Henry kindly agreed he could gallop with Bude and the unraced Opera Score," he said. "I believe they are both highly rated at Warren Place."

And? "And what?" he asks. Well, how did Grand Lodge fare? "It brought the horse on, as we hoped it would. And yes, I know what you're after, he did go very well with them."

There is a flicker of a smile as he remembers the relevant workout. And then he is back on guard. He thinks of Contract Law, and says: "Don't forget what happened to him. That is why you've got to keep your feet on the ground.

"I'm not being pessimistic, because I do think Grand Lodge is very good," he said. "There are a lot of extremely under-rated trainers in this game just waiting for a good horse to come along. The key is, when you've got a good one, you mustn't muck it up."

Of all the sports, it is only in racing that so much depends on the turn of a friendly card.



Trail blazer: Grand Lodge put through his paces by Tony Carson at Newmarket (photograph: Stephen Markeson)

Sayyedati lands famous win

FROM OUR FRENCH RACING CORRESPONDENT IN DEAUVILLE

SAYYEDATI was a narrow winner of the Prix du Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard Jacques le Marois at Deauville yesterday. The Clive Brittain-trained filly held the strong late challenge of Pat Eddery and Ski Paradise by a head with Kingmambo, the favourite, a neck away third.

Kingmambo lost a shoe during the race but his jockey, Cash Asmussen, blamed the slow early pace for Kingmambo's defeat, despite him having two pacemakers in the field. The ploy certainly went awry as the race was run in 1min 39.8sec, 3.7sec slower than a handicap over the same straight mile an hour later.

Sayyedati will now go for the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot next month but as Brittain said: "The Breeders' Cup Mile is still her main target." Brittain was the first English trainer to win a Breeders' Cup event, saddling Pebbles to triumph in the Turf seven years ago.

Walter Swinburn, Sayyedati's rider, said: "I followed Zafonic when Sayyedati was second to Bigstone at Goodwood but he turned out to be the wrong horse. She is 10lb better on good ground."

At Deauville on Saturday, Richard Hannon's Port Lucaya, ridden by Gerald Mosse, could finish only fourth to the impressive Dernier Empereur in the group two Prix Guillaume d'Ornano. Trained by Andre Fabre and ridden by Sylvain Guillot, Dernier Empereur, the 11-10 favourite, won by 2½ lengths from Fastness.

Straight Arrow, trained by Lord Huntingdon, gave jockey David Harrison his first winner in France when landing a comfortable two-length victory in the listed Criterium de Bequet over six furlongs at La Teste De Buch, near Bordeaux, on Saturday. Straight Arrow, an odds-on favourite, was a second consecutive winner of the race for Lord Huntingdon, who took it last year with Sharp Prod.

Big-race result

Going: good

3.0 PRIX DU HARAS DE FRESNAY-LE-BUFFARD JACQUES LE MAROIS (Group I: £119,474: 1m)

1, SAYYEDATI (W R Swinburn); 2, Ski Paradise (Pat Eddery); 3, Kingmambo (C Asmussen). ALSO RAN: Elizabeth Bay (4th), Gold Splash (5th), Siam (6th), Rouquette (7th), Hudo (8th). 8 Ran. Hd, nk, 2¼l. C Brittain at Newmarket. Pari-mutuel (inc 1fr stake): 3.30; 1.20, 1.20, 1.10. DF: 7.40. 1min 39.8sec.

Cash plea for virus research

BY RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

AN EFFECTIVE vaccine to treat the debilitating equine herpes viruses (EHV) could be available within three years.

The scientific breakthrough hinges, in most part, on £2 million being raised among racehorse owners to continue financing work carried out in ten centres in Britain, the United States and Ireland since 1987.

The various strains of EHV arguably pose the biggest threat to the thoroughbred industry and are a constant nightmare for trainers and owners. Horses suffer respiratory problems which makes them untrainable, let alone raceable, and the EHV-1 can prompt abortion and paralysis.

Several stables in the main training centres — including jumping yards — have been affected in recent months, including the large string trained at Newmarket by John Gosden.

Lord Carnarvon, chairman of the Equine Virology Research Foundation, is writing to more than 500 leading owners urging them to contribute the equivalent of one month's training fees to help complete the scientific work.

"To fall short of our objectives now would be a calamity when we are getting close to a successful outcome," he said.

Dr Walter Plowright, chairman of the foundation's scientific advisory group, said none of the current vaccines available were as good as they should be "and some are probably of very little value. He added: "We know now what we have to do to produce a safe and effective vaccine."

He was confident it could be available within three years, but security of income for the scientific work was crucial.

Gosden said his two-year-olds had been hit particularly badly by EHV in May and June. "I have only run three individual two-year-olds. That is not out of choice. Normally I have my first two-year-old runners in May, but this year it was July.

"It is only now that they are becoming healthy and I am pleased with the way they are going, but it is a long road."

The trainer added: "If trainers were up front and honest, you would be staggered by how many yards have been affected by EHV."

RESULTS FROM SATURDAY'S SIX MEETINGS

Newbury

Going: good to firm

2.00 (5f 34yd) 1, Petula (M Hills, 6-1); 2, Stimulant (15-2); 3, Tricome (100-30). Pommes Frites 9-4 fav. 7 ran. 1½l, 1½l. M Bell. Tote: £11.50; £2.50, £3.10. DF: £25.00. CSF: £56.15. 1min 0.61sec.

2.30 (5f 34yd) 1, Heaven-Liegh-Grey (K Darley, 15-2); 2, Catherineofaragon (20-1); 3, Call To The Bar (10-1). Food Of Love 7-1 fav. 14 ran. NR: Olifantsfontein. Sh hd, ½l. J Berry. Tote: £6.00; £2.00, £7.00, £2.60. DF: £327.70. Trio: £1679.60. CSF: £124.05. Tricast: £1,339.48. 1min 0.78sec.

3.00 (1m 5f 61yd) 1, Azzilfi (W Carson, 5-1); 2, Assessor (5-1); 3, Sonus (11-8 fav). 5 ran. Nk, 1l. J Dunlop. Tote: £4.90; £1.80, £2.10. DF: £11.20. CSF: £24.30. 2min 56.75sec.

3.30 (7f) 1, Imtiraz (R Hills, 7-1); 2, Kayvee (10-1); 3, No Reservations (11-1); 4, Sunday's Hill (33-1). Powerful Edge 11-2 fav. 16 ran. 1¼l, 1½l. H Thomson Jones. Tote: £9.20; £2.70, £1.80, £2.90, £10.60. DF: £30.10. Trio: £175.20. CSF: £69.83. Tricast: £704.59. 1min 24.20sec.

4.05 (7f 64yd) 1, Duty Time (W Carson, 100-30 fav); 2, Midushi (7-1); 3, Rose Ciel (7-1). 9 ran. Sh hd, hd. J Dunlop. Tote: £3.80; £1.60, £2.50, £1.80. DF: £24.80. CSF: £24.60. Tricast: £138.40. 1min 28.81sec.

4.35 (7f) 1, Pencader (D Holland, 4-6 fav; Richard Evans's nap); 2, Hawajiss (8-1); 3, Piccolo (66-1). 23 ran. NR: Mootaji, Wildfire. 2l, ½l. P Chapple-Hyam. Tote: £1.90; £1.30, £3.00, £8.90. DF: £10.80. Trio: £855.20. CSF: £8.58. 1min 25.80sec.

5.05 (1m 4f 5yd) 1, General Mouktar (A McGlone, 5-1); 2, Chatham Island (13-2); 3, Alderney Prince (10-1). Flight Lieutenant 9-2 fav. 10 ran. NR: Last Embrace, Refugio. 1½l, nk. M Pipe. Tote: £5.10; £2.00, £2.20, £3.90. DF: £15.60. Trio: £49.00. CSF: £36.62. Tricast: £292.37. 2min 31.29sec.

After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

Jackpot: not won (pool of £3,668.51 carried forward to York tomorrow).

Placepot: £2501.90.

Southwell

2.20 1, Arc Lamp (7-2 fav); 2, Meeson Times (4-1); 3, So Superb (12-1). 9 ran.

2.50 1, Cilburnel News (4-5 fav; Our Newmarket Correspondent's nap); 2, Early To Rise (11-4); 3, Abjer (9-2). 6 ran.

3.20 1, Indefence (2-1 fav); 2, Robby (20-1); 3, Winning Line (5-2). 12 ran.

3.50 1, Palacegate Jo (7-4 fav); 2, Leap Of Faith (9-4); 3, Bold Aristocrat (5-1). 8 ran. NR: Little Hooligan.

4.20 1, Golden Chip (3-1); 2, Hadeer's Dance (12-1); 3, Mohican Brave (5-1). Set The Fashion 5-6 fav. 6 ran.

4.55 1, Coltax Classic (33-1); 2, Penny Banger (100-30 fav); 3, Invigilate (7-1). 10 ran. NR: Sakharov.

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: PETER QUINCE (3.30 Windsor)

Next best: Treasure Time (2.30 Windsor)

Ripon

2.15 1, Asterix (10-1); 2, Sobering Thoughts (8-1); 3, Languedoc (14-1). Penny Hasset 5-1 fav. 15 ran. NR: Minizen Music.

2.45 1, Infantry Glen (5-2 fav); 2, Mr Abbot (4-1); 3, Sabo's Express (4-1). 13 ran.

3.15 1, Hard Task (14-1); 2, Jubran (10-1); 3, Duplicate (9-1). Russian Empire 4-1 jt-fav. 15 ran.

3.45 1, Hannah's Music (17-2); 2, Greggenmore (9-2); 3, Isabella Sharp (4-1). Mr M-E-N 2-1 fav. 6 ran.

4.15 1, Pride Of Pendle (10-1); 2, High Low (16-1); 3, Prenonamoss (14-1); 4, Northern Chief (25-1). Paxton 5-1 fav. 18 ran.

4.50 1, Ballet Shoes (4-6 fav); 2, Magic Pearl (8-1); 3, Calamanco (20-1). 12 ran. NR: Olympia.

Bangor

2.25 1, Laburnum (9-2); 2, Puritan (4-11 fav); 3, Magsood (10-1). 7 ran. NR: The Man From Clare.

2.55 1, Seymore (8-13 fav); 2, Sailor's Spirit (11-4); 3, Hello Sam (10-1). 6 ran.

3.25 1, Dutzura (5-1); 2, Head Lad (11-1). Selman 4-11 fav. 4 ran (only two finished). NR: Virginia's Bay.

3.55 1, Lustreman (16-1); 2, Welshman (2-1 fav); 3, Cleeveland Lady (14-1). 6 ran. NR: Simone's Son.

4.25 1, Clever Folly (5-6 fav); 2, Joyful Noise (7-2). 4 ran (only two finished).

5.00 1, Frankus (7-1); 2, Saint Ciel (15-8 fav); 3, Rising Tempo (9-2). 7 ran.

Lingfield Park

5.15 1, Mulciber (5-1); 2, Daily Sport Don (4-1); 3, Celia Brady (15-2). Ascom Pager Too 7-2 fav. 9 ran.

5.40 1, Norlskidmaringer (7-2); 2, Charisma Girl (6-4 fav); 3, Gigue (5-1). 8 ran. NR: Sporting Heir.

6.10 1, Lakab (8-1); 2, Princess Hayley (11-8 fav); 3, Shergress (10-1). 7 ran.

6.40 1, Rapporteur (9-2); 2, Aramef (8-1); 3, Surrey Dancer (5-1). Pie Hatch 3-1 fav. 8 ran. NR: Spring To Glory, Head Turner.

7.10 1, Jaazim (14-1); 2, Trinity Hall (14-1); 3, First Option (11-8 fav). 10 ran.

7.40 1, Usk The Way (7-1); 2, Fools Errand (2-1 fav); 3, Nemea (9-4). 6 ran.

8.10 1, Dashing Fellow (6-5 fav); 2, Tropical Jungle (9-2); 3, Julesderkinwader (9-1). 7 ran.

Market Rasen

5.50 1, Young George (6-1); 2, Safari Park (85-40); 3, Barton Pride (12-1). Trumpet 11-8 fav. 6 ran.

6.20 1, Cyrill Henry (6-1); 2, Bathula (4-1); 3, Red Ink (9-2). Well Done Rory 7-4 fav. 7 ran.

6.50 1, Rupples (6-1); 2, Mr-Paw (11-10 fav); 3, Market Leader (4-1). 8 ran.

7.20 1, Counterbid (4-11 fav); 2, Caman (10-1); 3, Ebornaezer's Dream (25-1). 6 ran.

7.50 1, Its Unbelievable (11-4); 2, Simply Superb (14-1); 3, Roscommon Joe (7-1). Kiss In The Dark 2-1 fav. 13 ran.

8.20 1, Behrain Queen (12-1); 2, Miliyel (7-4 fav); 3, Sea Breaker (7-2). 9 ran.

FLAT LEADERS

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Losing mounts	Level stake
Pat Eddery	118	85	60	3	-55.88
K Darley	114	102	66	5	-45.77
L Dettori	93	79	75	13	-29.97
G Duffield	89	66	65	2	-16.77
T Quinn	82	81	73	13	-115.75
J Reid	77	74	39	9	-48.50

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Days since win	Level stake
R Hannon	115	113	91	3	-53.95
J Berry	104	88	78	1	-41.54
H Cecil	71	42	42	1	+36.27
Mrs M Reveley	62	49	44	4	-44.82
J Dunlop	62	52	43	1	+6.31
J Gosden	54	37	23	3	+22.27

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THUNDERER

2.15 Shamshom Al Arab. 2.45 Bold Melody. 3.15 Mentalasanythin. 3.45 Rain Splash. 4.15 Jethou. 4.45 Abigails Boy.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 4.15 Knave's Ash.

GOING: GOOD SIS

DRAW: 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.15 TEAM MANAGEMENT APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£2,574: 1m 4f 17yd) (10 runners)

1 0-31 BATABANOO 20 (D,F,G) Mrs M Reveley 4-10-0 S Maloney 10
2 14-0 GROUSE-N-HEATHER 8 (CD,F,G) Miss J Rae 4-9-2 G Forster (3) 1
3 1604 CARROLLS MARC 6 (D,G) P Haslam 5-8-11 J Gracey (7) 2
4 -403 MUFID 31 R Lamb 4-8-9 J Marshall (3) 5
5 4254 SHAMSHOM AL ARAB 11 (CD,F,S) S Norton 5-8-7 Darren Moffatt 7
6 0603 DOCTOR ROY 9 (F) N Bycroft 5-8-0 F Norton 9
7 0340 IRON BARON 24 (D,G,S) Mrs V Aconley 4-7-12 Stephen Davies 4
8 6024 GREAT ORATION 25 F Watson 4-7-9 V Halliday (3) 8
9 6635 HOT PUNCH 17 P Calver 4-7-9 A Garth 6
10 3/00 ASTURIAS 56 (S) A Stringer 10-7-7 N Kennedy 3

11-4 Batabanoo, 7-2 Shamshom Al Arab, 9-2 Doctor Roy, 6-1 Mufid, 7-1 Carrolls Marc, 10-1 Great Oration, 12-1 Hot Punch, 14-1 Grouse-N-Heather, 20-1 others.

2.45 HAZELBANK SELLING HANDICAP (£2,721: 1m 1f 36yd) (13)

1 23-4 MAJOR IVOR 13 (F) Mrs M Reveley 8-10-0 M Birch 2
2 3154 FLETCHER'S BOUNTY 9 (V,C,F) Mrs M Reveley 4-9-6 K Darley 11
3 4610 BOLD MELODY 12 (CD,F,G) P Haslam 4-9-3 C Hodgson (3) 5
4 060- TREASURE BEACH 252J K Linton 4-8-9 G Forster (7) 6
5 2204 DRUMDONNA 18 (C,G,S) J Berry 3-8-9 J Carroll 12
6 0000 MISS EL ARAB 18 (F,G) Mrs V Aconley 5-8-9 J Lowe 4
7 0452 MY BALLYBOY 9J (B) A Bailey 3-8-8 W Hawksley (7) 3
8 5041 SLUMBER THYME 7 (B,G) Jimmy Fitzgerald 4-8-6 (5ex) K Fallon 13
9 4000 HOD-MOD 9 A Bailey 3-8-4 A Mackay 10
10 043 SLOE BRANDY 25 M Prescott 3-8-2 G Duffield 8
11 4265 DANCES WITH GOLD 7 (B) M Johnston 3-8-2 R P Elliott 7
12 0504 PERSIAN LION 25 F Watson 4-8-1 Alex Greaves 9
13 4050 WEAVER GEORGE 12 N Chamberlain 3-8-0 S Maloney (3) 1

4-1 Slumber Thyme, 9-2 Fletcher's Bounty, 5-1 Bold Melody, 6-1 Sloe Brandy, 7-1 Major Ivor, 8-1 Dances With Gold, 10-1 Drumdonna, My Ballyboy, 14-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: Mrs M Reveley, 24 winners from 94 runners, 25.5%; Mrs J Ramsden, 13 from 59, 22.0%; J Berry, 55 from 275, 20.0%; S Norton, 13 from 69, 18.8%; M Prescott, 9 from 49, 18.4%.

JOCKEYS: J Carroll, 46 winners from 230 rides, 20%; K Darley, 46 from 260, 17.7%; Darren Moffatt, 5 from 37, 13.5%; J Fanning, 17 from 134, 12.7%; J Fortune, 16 from 129, 12.4%; R P Elliott, 9 from 73, 12.3%.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Hamilton Park: 4.45 Best Effort. Windsor: 3.00 Omidjoy. 4.00 Connect. 5.00 Rose Elegance.

3.15 ROYAL SCOTS DRAGOON GUARDS HANDICAP (£3,720: 1m 65yd) (7)

1 2111 LAUREL QUEEN 9 (CD,F,G,S) J Berry 5-9-11 J Carroll 2
2 4160 MENTALASANYTHIN 23 (CD,G,S) A Bailey 4-9-7 A Mackay 3
3 0611 TALENTED TING 12 (V,CD,F,G) P Haslam 4-9-3 K Darley 4
4 2340 STRAW THATCH 9 (S) R Allan 4-8-8 Stephen Davies (5) 1
5 6254 MEDIA MESSENGER 27 (C,S) Denys Smith 4-8-4 K Fallon 5
6 4255 PUBLIC WAY 9 (G) N Chamberlain 3-8-0 J Lowe 7
7 060 COUREUR 11 J Bethell 4-7-13 J Fanning 6

9-4 Laurel Queen, 5-2 Talented Ting, 9-2 Straw Thatch, Mentalasanythin, 8-1 Media Messenger, 12-1 Public Way, Coureur.

3.45 ROSEBANK CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,579: 6f 5yd) (3)

1 0221 PALACEGATE TOUCH 10 (V,D,G,S) J Berry 9-7 J Carroll 2
2 6 BALLY ROBERT 28 R Allan 9-3 Stephen Davies (5) 3
3 1500 RAIN SPLASH 13 (CD,G,S) J Balding 9-0 Claire Balding (7) 1

4-5 Palacegate Touch, 11-10 Rain Splash, 12-1 Bally Robert.

4.15 EBF DEAN McKEOWN SCOTTISH FAREWELL MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,163: 6f 5yd) (10)

1 HESFINMENTALTOO A Bailey 9-0 A Mackay 7
2 05 HILL REEF 16 Mrs J Ramsden 9-0 K Fallon 1
3 33 JETHOU 26 J Watts 9-0 N Connorton 4
4 64 KNAVE'S ASH 7 M Stoute 9-0 Paul Eddery 2
5 640 PEASAN 56 P Monteith 9-0 J Fortune 6
6 623 TEETOTALLER 49 (BF) J Berry 9-0 NON-RUNNER 3
7 00 THUNDERBIRD TWO 52 Denys Smith 9-0 M Birch 9
8 6944 CHILTERN SHOW 23 A Bailey 8-9 NON-RUNNER 10
9 KRISTAL DIVA M Johnston 8-9 Dean McKeown 8
10 5002 MARBLE 18 D Moffatt 8-9 Darren Moffatt (5) 5

6-4 Knave's Ash, 3-1 Jethou, 4-1 Hill Reef, 6-1 Kristal Diva, 10-1 others.

4.45 SHULMAN CARPETS HANDICAP (£3,157: 6f 5yd) (10)

1 2013 ISLAND KNIGHT 9 (B) M Ryan 4-9-10 C Hodgson (5) 5
2 2510 PAGEBOY 12 (C,D,F) P Haslam 4-8-9 Dean McKeown 6
3 1404 SECOND COLOURS 12 (CD,BF,F) Mrs M Reveley 3-8-3 K Darley 7
4 2140 FRANCIS ANN 73 (CD,S) Miss L Perratt 5-9-0 J Fanning 3
5 3125 SYLVAN STARLIGHT 9 (V,G) M Prescott 3-8-13 G Duffield 1
6 2434 KILLY'S FILLY 2 (D,G) J Berry 3-8-11 J Carroll 4
7 0265 BEST EFFORT 9 (V,D,F,S) M Naughton 7-8-11 K Fallon 8
8 -006 ABIGAILS BOY 9 (CD,S) J Scargill 4-8-10 G Hind 2
9 0455 LAMSONETTI 24 R Whitaker 3-8-5 Alex Greaves 9
10 0006 CRAIGIE BOY 5 N Bycroft 3-8-1 S Maloney (3) 10

7-2 Second Colours, 9-2 Island Knight, 5-1 Killy's Filly, 6-1 Pageboy, 7-1 Francis Ann, 8-1 Craigie Boy, 12-1 Best Effort, 14-1 others.

☐ Michael Roberts was suspended for the fifth time this year after winning the group one Aral Pokal, on the Irish-trained George Augustus, at Gelsenkirchen yesterday. George Augustus was placed second and Roberts banned for two days (August 24 and 25). At Hoppegarten, Berlin, River North and Beneficial finished third and fourth behind Kornado in the group three BMW Europachampionat.

WINDSOR

THUNDERER

2.30 Batchworth Bound
3.00 Filou Filant
3.30 Blue Lion
4.00 CONNECT (nap)
4.30 Robsera
5.00 Shirley Rose

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.30 PETER QUINCE (nap). 4.30 Iradah.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.30 BLUE LION.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 5F - 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.30 ADDITIONAL APPRENTICES HANDICAP (£2,301: 5f 10yd) (10 runners)

1 (1) 004126 TREASURE TIME 24 (D,F) (Chiltern Hills Racing Club) J White 4-10-0 T Foggie (8) 95
2 (6) 500-205 JUCEA 6 (A Campbell) J Spearing 4-9-8 R Painter 93
3 (2) 502356 CHOIR PRACTICE 9 (D,F,G) W Haggas 6-9-7 Sally Radford-Howes (3) 99
4 (7) 012123 BATCHWORTH BOUND 5 (D,F,G) (Mrs D Price) S Mellor 4-9-5 A Daly (5) 95
5 (9) 531300 THE ORDINARY GIRL 6 (V,D,G) (M MacCarthy) T Casey 3-9-3 D O'Neill 95
6 (4) 002433 SOPHISTICATED AIR 11 (B) (N Harris) I Balding 3-9-3 D Griffiths (3) 96
7 (8) 400422 AVRIL ETOILE 17 (D Simester) L Holt 3-8-13 Iona Wands (8) 95
8 (3) 005503 TOMMY TEMPEST 14 (B,D,S) (Mrs E Burke) K Burke 4-8-12 L Suthern (8) 94
9 (5) 060541 PERFECT PASSION 17 (D,G) (N Bryce-Smith) J Bridger 3-8-8 Rachel Bridger (3) 91
10 (10) 00-6000 BARASSIE 2 (G Stenberg) D Wilson 3-7-12 Sharon Millard (3) 89

BETTING: 7-2 Batchworth Bound, 9-2 Sophisticated Air, 5-1 Jucea, Treasure Time, 8-1 Avril Etoile, 10-1 others.

1992: GANESHAYA 3-8-7 E Husband (13-2) M Barraclough 18 ran

FORM FOCUS

TREASURE TIME 3½l 6th of 8 to Meeson Times in a handicap at Yarmouth (5f, good to firm), with JUCEA (6lb better off) 2l 7th. JUCEA 3l 5th of 19 to Martina in a handicap at Bath (5f, good to firm), with THE ORDINARY GIRL 16l 15th. BATCHWORTH BOUND 5¼l 3rd of 12 to Lyndon's Linnet in a handicap at Sandown (5f, good to firm). SOPHISTICATED AIR 1l 3rd of 5 to Trapezium in a maiden handicap at Brighton (6f, good to firm). TOMMY TEMPEST 1¾l 3rd of 16 to Martina in a handicap at Ripon (5f, good to firm). PERFECT PASSION beat AVRIL ETOILE (same terms) ½l in a 7-runner apprentices' selling handicap at Newmarket (5f, good).
Selection: PERFECT PASSION

3.00 BELMEAD SELLING STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,406: 1m 2f 7yd) (14 runners)

1 (3) 00U000 ARRAS ROYALE 3 (Arrasas Racing One) J Long 9-0 R Price –
2 (2) 6 BAYYINAT 60 (Mrs R Tang) C Weedon 9-0 N Adams –
3 (9) 00 DOUBLE DEALING 19 (V) (G Piper) R Simpson 9-0 G Rothwell (7) –
4 (12) 54603 FILOU FILANT 6 (A Reid) J Jenkins 9-0 Pat Eddery 93
5 (7) FREDDY SYLVESTER (J Malins) P Makin 9-0 W Ryan –
6 (8) 040030 MARAT 26 (H Shepherd) J Jenkins 9-0 T Quinn 89
7 (14) 006 WHATONE BELL 12 (B) (L Wedge) M Muggeridge 9-0 S Raymont –
8 (13) 0-04200 MALZETA 16 (Count K Goess-Saurau) M Heaton-Ellis 8-9 D Wright (5) 88
9 (10) 000055 MISS MICHELLE 11 (T Bowser) S Mellor 8-9 T Sprake 82
10 (4) 432650 OMIDJOY 27 (B) (A Aff) S Woods 8-9 W Woods 99
11 (1) 40-2054 PATONG BEACH 21 (T Newsome) J Hills 8-9 R Hills 94
12 (5) 6 PETITE JUNE 7 (T Mills) T Mills 8-9 T Williams –
13 (6) 000 RITZY 103 (Felstead Racing Club Ltd) C C Elsey 8-9 W Newnes 82
14 (11) 0-0002 TREBLE LASS 23 (E Gadsden) B Meehan 8-9 L Dettori 95

BETTING: 5-2 Filou Filant, 4-1 Patong Beach, 5-1 Treble Lass, 6-1 Malzeta, 8-1 Marat, Omidjoy, 10-1 Freddy Sylvester, 12-1 Petite June, 16-1 others.

1992: EASY DOES IT 8-9 J Quinn (20-1) Mrs A Knight 15 ran

FORM FOCUS

FILOU FILANT 2¾l 3rd of 14 to So Neat in a selling handicap at Yarmouth (1m, good to firm). MARAT 25½l 10th of 15 to Comanche Companion in an apprentices' handicap at Sandown (1m, good). MALZETA's best recent effort came when ¾l 2nd of 25 to Taunting in a selling handicap over course and distance (good). OMIDJOY 18l 8th of 12 to Bondaid in a selling handicap at Folkestone (1m 1f 149yd, good to firm). PATONG BEACH 1l 4th of 10 to Overpower in a claimer at Southwell (1m 2l, good). TREBLE LASS 1¼l 2nd of 8 to Shafholme in a selling handicap at Warwick (1m 3l, good).
Selection: PATONG BEACH

3.30 THEALE CONDITIONS STAKES (£3,377: 1m 2f 7yd) (9 runners)

1 (1) 65-1335 BADIE 53 (D,F,S) (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 4-9-6 W Carson 84
2 (4) 111/024- JURA 418 (D,F,G) (Sir David Wills) J Fanshawe 5-9-5 P Robinson 90
3 (2) 30-5000 STARLIGHT FLYER 16 (B,D,F,G,S) (T Waters) J Long 6-9-3 R Price 81
4 (9) 1313 BLUE LION 28 (CD,BF,F) (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) G Wragg 3-9-0 M Roberts 99
5 (7) 44230-0 MILZIG 30 (D,G) (Mrs J Ohlsson) D Elsworth 4-9-0 J Williams 91
6 (8) 12- VRATISLAV 381 (CD,G) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 4-9-0 Pat Eddery 88
7 (3) 1 PETER QUINCE 24 (D,G) (Lord Howard de Walden) H Cecil 3-8-10 W Ryan 96
8 (5) 1113-35 SHIRO 65 (F,S) (S Manana) R Williams 3-8-10 R Cochrane 87
9 (6) 1454-20 ICY SOUTH 28 (S) (S Manana) J Gosden 3-8-8 L Dettori 98

BETTING: 13-8 Blue Lion, 2-1 Peter Quince, 6-1 Vratislav, 8-1 Icy South, Jura, 12-1 Shiro, 14-1 Badie, 25-1 Milzig, 100-1 Starlight Flyer.

1992: PABOUCHE 3-9-2 Pat Eddery (9-4) H Cecil 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

BADIE 21l 5th of 6 to Source of Light in a handicap at Salisbury (1m 4f, good to firm). JURA 3½l 4th of 6 to Mohican Girl in a listed race at Kempton (1m 2f, good to firm). BLUE LION 1¾l 3rd of 10 to River North in the group III Tennents Scottish Classic at Ayr (1m 2f, good), with ICY SOUTH 6l 8th. Previously, beat ICY SOUTH (6lb better off) 2l in a 6-runner conditions race over course and distance (good to firm). VRATISLAV 1¾l 2nd of 6 to Colonific in a conditions race at Newmarket (1m 4f, good to firm). PETER QUINCE beat Lacotte 3l in a 15-runner maiden at Ascot (1m 2f, good).
Selection: BLUE LION (nap)

4.00 COOPERS & LYBRAND NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £4,776: 5f 217yd) (15 runners)

1 (5) 0535 ANOTHERONE TO NOTE 21 M Muggeridge 9-7 Mark Denaro (7) 85
2 (14) 014 MOUNT LEINSTER 55 (S) (M & N Plant Ltd) P Murphy 9-7 W Ryan 83
3 (13) 15 DARREN BOY 38 (D,F) (D Allport) P Cole 9-5 T G McLaughlin (7) 96
4 (10) 3402 MILLICENT NORTH 18 (K Hogan) P Murphy 9-5 J Williams 91
5 (1) 35311 MAJOR SUCCESS 7 (CD,F,G) (W Gredley) B Hills 9-4 (7ex) D Holland 97
6 (12) 543 SWAGGER LADY 52 (J Nash) J Dunlop 9-2 W Carson 82
7 (7) 0621 BLURRED IMAGE 27 (D,F) (N Ahamad) R Hannon 9-0 Pat Eddery 90
8 (8) 31 HIGHLY FASHIONABLE 33 (G) (S Crown) P Cole 8-12 T Quinn 95
9 (4) 00416 DANCING LAWYER 7 (CD,G) (Vintage Services Ltd) B Meehan 8-9 A Munro 97
10 (11) 051650 CONNECT 10 (B,D,F) (Mrs J Hannon) B Meehan 8-7 B Doyle (3) 96
11 (6) 01 ADMIRING 18 (D,G) (Friendly Society) M Bell 8-6 M Fenton (3) 92
12 (15) 06343 SHIRNAK 12 (V) (A Al Jafleh) W Haggas 8-3 M Roberts 92
13 (3) 450 STARISK 68 (Mrs B Sumner) C Horgan 7-11 D Wright (5) 85
14 (2) 006412 LITTLE HOOLIGAN 3 (D,G) (A Kinghorn) M Channon 7-10 C Rutter 99
15 (9) 0004 ZORAHAYDA 28 (S Pennick) G L Moore 7-7 Kim McDonnell (7) 92

Long handicap: Zorahayda 7-3.

BETTING: 9-2 Major Success, 6-1 Millicent North, 7-1 Blurred Image, Connect, Darren Boy, 8-1 Dancing Lawyer, Highly Fashionable, 10-1 Swagger Lady, 12-1 Mount Leinster, 14-1 Admiring, Shirnak, 20-1 others.

1992: CARNBREA SNIP 8-7 M Hills (9-1) M Bell 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

MOUNT LEINSTER 10l last of 4 to First Trump in a conditions race at Newbury (6f, good). MILLICENT NORTH 1¾l 2nd of 9 to Vercingetorix in a handicap at Goodwood (6f, good to soft). MAJOR SUCCESS beat Prince Azzaan 1l in an 11-runner handicap over course and distance (good to firm), with DANCING LAWYER (9lb better off) 8l 6th. BLURRED IMAGE beat Cimarron Springs 2l in a 7-runner maiden auction at Folkestone (6f, good to firm). HIGHLY FASHIONABLE beat Night Snow 3l in a 6-runner maiden at Southwell (AW, 7f, standard). ADMIRING beat Princess Carmen ½l in an 8-runner seller at Yarmouth (6f, good). LITTLE HOOLIGAN neck 2nd of 11 to Threepenny-Bridge in a seller at Folkestone (6f, good to firm)
Selection: BLURRED IMAGE

4.30 EBF BRACKNELL MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,342: 5f 10yd) (14 runners)

1 (5) 0 AIRSPEED FLYER 31 (G Moxby) R Akehurst 9-0 T Quinn –
2 (10) 00 ARAFARAZ 16 (P Cook) L Holt 9-0 A Munro 64
3 (13) AVANTI XIQUET (B Racing) J White 9-0 C Avery –
4 (1) 0 COMMENDATION DAY 93 (Mrs S Brown) B Hills 9-0 D Holland –
5 (14) PHONEAHOLIC (K Higson) B Meehan 9-0 B Rouse –
6 (4) 0 ROBSERA 16 (D Barker) G Lewis 9-0 B Raymond 75
7 (7) SHAYNES DOMAIN (Cross Lorraine Ltd) J Sutcliffe 9-0 P Robinson –
8 (9) 0024 SPORTING START 33 (Sporting Partners) M Usher 9-0 N Adams 76
9 (2) 0302 BIRD OF TIME 13 (N Clark) J Dunlop 8-9 W Carson 95
10 (8) 63 CRYSTAL MAGIC 13 (D Sieff) R Hannon 8-9 Pat Eddery 92
11 (6) 30 IRADAH 13 (BF) (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-9 R Hills 99
12 (11) LADY HAWK (P Davies) J White 8-9 W Newnes –
13 (12) MAY LIGHT (Dr J Hobby) I Balding 8-9 W Ryan –
14 (3) SPRINGTIME AFFAIR (L J Ward) R Hannon 8-9 L Dettori –

BETTING: 3-1 Iradah, 7-2 Bird Of Time, 4-1 Crystal Magic, 5-1 Robsera, 7-1 May Light, 8-1 Commendation Day, 12-1 Springtime Affair, 20-1 others.

1992: SIMPLY SOOTY 8-2 G Baxter (10-1) B Millman 23 ran

FORM FOCUS

ROBSERA 11l 7th of 14 to Star Talent in a maiden at Goodwood (6f, good to soft). SPORTING START 8¾l 4th of 5 to Battling Blue in a maiden auction at Sandown (5f, good). BIRD OF TIME 3l 2nd of 7 to Laune in a maiden at Brighton (5f 59yd, firm), with IRADAH 7l last. CRYSTAL MAGIC 5¾l 3rd of 10 to One To One in a maiden auction at Nottingham (6f, good to firm). IRADAH ½l 3rd of 8 to Dance Focus in a maiden at Yarmouth on debut (5f, good).
Selection: IRADAH

5.00 QUORTINA CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP (£3,850: 1m 3f 135yd) (8 runners)

1 (5) 6051-00 ROSE ELEGANCE 24 (B,F,G) (E Badger) O O'Neill 4-9-11 V Slattery (5) 90
2 (7) 6-50235 INCHCAILLOCH 19 (F,S) (F Carter) J King 4-9-8 B Raymond 99
3 (4) 001124 MAHRAJAN 16 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs F Harris) C Benstead 9-9-3 T Quinn 97
4 (1) 12110-6 BO KNOWS BEST 16 (D,G,S) (N Goldman) J Sutcliffe 4-9-2 B Rouse 90
5 (6) 152312 SUPREME MASTER 12 (BF,G,S) (H Hopgood) R Hannon 3-9-1 Pat Eddery 93
6 (2) 331112 SHIRLEY ROSE 19 (D,F,G) (Greenland Park Ltd) M Johnston 3-8-12 M Roberts 96
7 (8) 003144 FULL QUIVER 18 (V,C,F) (R Parker) Mrs B Waring 8-8-2 D Wright (5) 95
8 (3) 000- AFTER THE FIRE 348J (Miss S Harvey) J White 4-7-8 T Foggie (7) –

BETTING: 11-4 Supreme Master, 7-2 Shirley Rose, 11-2 Mahrajan, 13-2 Bo Knows Best, 8-1 Full Quiver, Inchcailloch, 10-1 Rose Elegance, 33-1 After The Fire.

1992: SWIFT SILVER 5-9-0 J Reid (13-2) W Musson 14 ran

FORM FOCUS

MAHRAJAN 2¾l 4th of 8 to Bagalino in a handicap over course and distance (good to firm), with BO KNOWS BEST 15l 6th. Previously, beat INCHCAILLOCH (13lb better off) 2l in a 5-runner handicap over course and distance (firm). SUPREME MASTER head 2nd of 14 to Princess Emyn in an apprentices' handicap at Kempton (1m 4f, good). Previously, beat Rocquaine Bay ¾l in a 13-runner handicap at Salisbury (1m 4f, good), with FULL QUIVER (1lb better off) ½l 4th. SHIRLEY ROSE short-head 2nd of 4 to Bobbysoxer in a conditions race at Epsom (1m 2f, good). FULL QUIVER beat Bally Knight a short head in an 8-runner apprentices' handicap at Nottingham (1m 5f, good to firm).
Selection: SHIRLEY ROSE

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
H Cecil	9	33	27.3	Pat Eddery	51	207	24.6
G Wragg	3	14	21.4	M Roberts	19	114	16.7
P Makin	7	36	19.4	L Dettori	17	105	16.2
R Hannon	35	215	16.3	T Sprake	6	40	15.0
J Gosden	6	37	16.2	R Cochrane	18	139	12.9
D Elsworth	12	75	16.0	B Raymond	9	74	12.2

Pommes Frites injured

LORD Carnarvon, the Queen's racing manager, suffered another setback to his own ambitions when Pommes Frites was injured at Newbury on Saturday.

The filly, favourite for the St Hugh's Stakes, finished a disappointing fifth and was found to have chipped a near-fore knee bone. She will miss the rest of the season.

Earlier this month Carnarvon's highly regarded filly Niche was killed in a gallops accident and last week Lemon Souffle, another promising filly, pulled a muscle in her quarters, forcing her to miss the Lowther Stakes at York on Thursday.

Englishman draws on father's memory to gain first grand prix victory

Hill emerges from two famous shadows

FROM OLIVER HOLT IN BUDAPEST

DAMON Hill banished the crushing disappointment of his near-misses at Silverstone and Hockenheim to the realms of faded memories yesterday when he opened his grand prix account in the sweltering heat and cloying dust of the Hungaroring here in the most emphatic manner.

In one hour and 47 minutes of near faultless driving in energy-sapping conditions, he beat Riccardo Patrese by 71 seconds to win the Hungarian Grand Prix and emerge from the shadows cast by his Williams-Renault predecessor, Nigel Mansell, and his father, the late Graham Hill. "Disconnect the phone lines to Florida," the Williams team owner, Frank Williams, said in a reference to Mansell. "England has a new hero."

Hill's task at the circuit where Mansell clinched the world championship last year, was made easier when Alain Prost, his team-mate, stalled on the grid before the warm-up lap and had to start in 26th position. The Frenchman fought his way through the field to third place before a problem with his rear wing ended his comeback.

Mechanical failings also ended the challenges of Ayrton Senna and Michael Schumacher but no one could begrudge Hill his win after similar problems robbed him of probable victories in the British and German Grands Prix last month. "I think I was due a little bit of luck in my thirteenth Grand Prix after what happened to me in the last two races," he said.

Hill led the 77-lap race from start to finish and was never seriously threatened after he beat Senna into the first corner and held him off for several tense minutes before pulling away. As others slid and spun all around him, the 32-year-old Englishman kept cool and planned his race meticulously.

He made two smooth pit-stops to change tyres, lapped back-markers with confidence and eased off when he needed to. He finished with only Patrese and Gerhard Berger on the same lap, and admitted his main problem had been maintaining his concentration.

"With about 20 laps to go I started thinking about what I should say when I got to the end," Hill said. "I tried to keep telling myself, 'It's not over until it's over'."

The win establishes Graham and Damon Hill as the first father-son combination to win world championship Grands Prix. It took Hill Sr 33 races and five seasons to record his first win. His son has had the considerable advantage of driving the season's outstanding car and he admitted he had drawn on the memory of his father to get him through the race's latter stages.

"I thought about what my dad might be saying and that helped," he said. "He was quite a hard task-master and if he ever thought I was getting complacent, he would set me right."



Bubbling over: Hill celebrates his Hungarian grand prix triumph in traditional fashion yesterday

The ten points Hill gained for the victory lifted him into third place in the drivers' championship and could not have come at a better time to boost his prospects of securing a deal with Williams next year.

Most of the racing in this natural amphitheatre, though, took place further down the field. Schumacher provided early entertainment with a daring pass on Berger but spun before being forced to retire.

At one stage, with Derek Warwick running third and Martin Brundle fourth, there were faint hopes of a first all-British podium since Jackie Stewart, Graham Hill and John Surtees occupied the first three places at the 1968 US Grand Prix. But Patrese held on and Berger bumped his way past Brundle before easing Warwick aside 11 laps from the end.

From that point on, Williams and the British contingent were left to bite their nails and hope no misfortune befell Hill. Twice Murray Walker, the BBC commentator, has prematurely acclaimed victory for the Englishman, only to see it torn away. Hill greeted him after the race: "You must have kept quiet this time."

DETAILS

HUNGARIAN GRAND PRIX (77 laps, 305.536km): 1, D Hill (GB), Williams, 1hr 47min 39.098sec (average speed 170.292kph); 2, R Patrese (It), Benetton, 1:11.195 behind; 3, G Berger (Austria), Ferrari, 1:18.042; 4, D Warwick (GB), Footwork, one lap behind; 5, M Brundle (GB), Ligier, 1; 6, K Wendlinger (Austria), Sauber, 1; 7, M Blundell (GB), Ligier, 1; 8, P Alliot (Fr), Larrousse, 2; 9, T Boutsen (Bel), Jordan, 2; 10, U Katayama (Japan), Tyrrell, 4; 11, A de Cesaris (It), Tyrrell, 5; 12, A Prost (Fr), Williams, 7.

Did not finish: 13, P Martini (It), Minardi, 59 laps covered; 14, E Comas (Fr), Larrousse, 54 laps; 15, A Zanardi (It), Lotus, 45 laps; 16, A Suzuki (Japan), Footwork, 41 laps; 17, M Alboreto (It), Lola, 39 laps; 18, J Herbert (GB), Lotus, 38 laps; 19, L Badoer (It), Lola, 37 laps; 20, M Schumacher (Ger), Benetton, 26 laps; 21, C Fittipaldi (Br), Minardi, 22 laps; 22, J Alesi (Fr), Ferrari, 22 laps; 23, J J Lehto (Fin), Sauber, 18 laps; 24, A Senna (Br), McLaren, 17 laps; 25, M Andretti (US), McLaren, 15 laps. Did not start (failed to complete first lap): 26, R Barrichello (Br), Jordan.

DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP: 1, Prost, 77pts; 2, Senna, 50; 3, Hill, 38; 4, Schumacher, 36; 5, Patrese, 17; 6, Brundle, 11, equal 7, Blundell and Berger, 10; 9, Herbert, 9, equal 10, Lehto and Fittipaldi, 5; equal 12, Alesi and Warwick, 4, 14, Andretti, 3, equal 15, Alliot, F Barbazza (It) and Wendlinger, 2, 18, Zanardi, 1.

CONSTRUCTORS' CHAMPIONSHIP: 1, Williams, 115pts; equal 2, McLaren and Benetton, 53; 4, Ligier, 21; 5, Ferrari, 14; 6, Lotus, 10; equal 7, Minardi and Sauber, 7; 9, Footwork, 4, 10, Larrousse, 2.

Third national title puts Leng on course for Europe

BY JENNY MACARTHUR

VIRGINIA Leng, who hopes to win a fourth European three-day event title in Germany next month, had an encouraging preparation when she and Welton Houdini became the national champions as the highest-placed Britons after finishing fourth in the Calor Gas British Open Horse Trials at Gatcombe Park on Saturday. It was Leng's third national title.

The event was dominated by British-based foreign riders, led by David O'Connor on Lighter Than Air, who became the first American rider to win the British Open since Bruce Davidson in 1986. O'Connor, 31, comes from Virginia but is based with the trainer, Lars Sederholm, in Oxfordshire.

The two Olympic team silver medal-winners from New Zealand, Victoria Latta, on Chief, and Mark Todd, on Just an Ace, filled the next two places. Both must be among the favourites for Burghley next month. Latta, a solicitor who is based at Gatcombe, would have won comfortably had she not incurred five penalties in the show jumping.

Mark Phillips's 27-fence cross-country course rode well — though the quick route at fence five, which he thought he had made easier this year, still caused undue problems.

Leng, who retires from international eventing at the end of the year, said that the twisty course did not suit the ten-year-old Houdini but few would have guessed so from their fluent performance. "I didn't push him," Leng said, "I just wanted to make sure that he had a good round in preparation for next month."

Karen Dixon, also on the long list for the European championships, saw her hopes of a first British Open win disappear when Get Smart fell at the water.

Mary Thomson was the only Briton, apart from Leng, to finish in the leading 18. Thomson was sixth on King Boris and eighth on King William.

It was a similar story yesterday. Eddy Stibbe, of Holland, won the advanced section two on his father's High Strider. Andrew Nicholson, another of New Zealand's British-based Olympic riders, won the intermediate championships on Jagermeister II.

The only British win over the three days came from the former British team rider, Tiny Clapham, on Jacana. They relegated Angela Tucker and Strauss III to second place in the first advanced section on Saturday. Clapham has temporarily taken over the ride on Jacana while Walker recovers from a virus.

RESULTS: British Open: 1, Lighter Than Air (D O'Connor, US), 46; 2, Chief (V Latta, NZ), 48; 3, Just an Ace (M Todd, NZ), 52; 4, Welton Houdini (V Leng, GB), 53. Advanced section: 1, Jacana (T Clapham, GB) 57; 2, Strauss III (A Tucker, GB) 57; 3, Kilbernie (G Law, GB) 63. Advanced section 2: 1, High Strider (E Tibby, Holl) 50; 2, Thomestown (W Fox-Pitt, GB), 52; 3, Super Sam II (M Ryan, Aus) 53. Intermediate championships: 1, Jagermeister II (A Nicholson, NZ) 51; 2, Kayem (R Lemieux, Can) 55; 3, Midnight Blue II (K Gifford, GB) 58.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Obree joins British team in Norway

GRAEME Obree will join the British cycling team in Hamar, Norway, for the world track championships tomorrow having chosen not to train with the squad on the 250-metre wooden bowl last week. The Scot, who lost his world one-hour record to Chris Boardman last month, promised to have a "secret weapon" when he lines up on Wednesday for the qualifying round of the 4,000 metres individual pursuit, the discipline at which he is British champion.

Boardman, the Olympic champion, who broke the record in a 25-mile time-trial in his last race in Northern Ireland eight days ago, has been impressive in training. Doug Dailey, the national coach, said Boardman was "in very good shape". The third British competitor in the pursuit is Shaun Wallace, the silver medal winner in the professional championship last year, who is based in the United States.

Potter prompts victory

HOCKEY: Jon Potter's midfield scheming inspired England to a 2-1 victory over South Africa in the first international match between the two countries since 1969 at Milton Keynes yesterday (Sydney Friskin writes). England controlled the game in the second half and deserved their win but they had anxious moments earlier. The lively South Africans took advantage of a slip in defence and Cullen, their left wing, scored in the eighth minute.

Seven minutes later, South Africa conceded a penalty stroke for stick obstruction and Potter converted to level the scores. Shaw, who had impressed in the first half with his astute passing, scored the winning goal in the 55th minute from Garcia's pass. Gary McLeod, the South Africa manager, said: "We did well for a team that has been shut out of international competition for 20 years and we did not mind losing to an experienced side like England. Our ambition is to qualify for the World Cup in Australia next year."

Decisive Dougherty

LACROSSE: The United States' 4-1 victory over England in the women's World Cup final in Edinburgh on Saturday left the top six places unchanged from the previous competition, four years ago. Ann Hutchins, the England manager, said the speed of the Americans to the fifty-fifty ball and their superior finishing were the main differences between the teams. The game was evenly poised at 2-1 midway through the second half when Betsy Dougherty, the United States captain, struck twice in a minute. Michelle Reynolds was the England scorer. Australia beat Canada 14-3 to take third place, and Scotland finished fifth by thrashing Wales 15-2.

Double for Britain

EQUESTRIANISM: The British team overcame the loss of one of their horses, James Frederick, who was destroyed after suffering a brain haemorrhage when he ran into a tree, to take the team and individual honours in the European Young Riders three-day event championships in Bonn-Rodderberg, Germany, yesterday. Sarah Cutteridge, the horse's rider, was treated for bruising and shock. The British team victory was completed as Terry Boon won the individual gold on Vital Decision, with team-mate, Louise Rutherford, taking silver with The Optimist. Britain totalled 197.8 to finish 25 points clear of Germany, the runners-up.

Brighton triple triumph

BOWLS: Paul Lewis, Mark Ireland and Dave Williams, of the Preston Club, Brighton, won the Sanatogen English Bowling Association triples championship at Worthing on Saturday, taking the lead for the first time in the final on the extra end to beat Marlborough, Ipswich, 21-20. The skills of Roy Cutts, John Barrell and Ashley Sale seemed to have secured the title for Marlborough when they led 11-1 and 20-13, but Preston won the last four ends to force the extra end. In the semi-finals earlier in the day, Marlborough beat Greenhill, Dorset, 16-15, while Preston defeated Gosport, Hampshire, 21-13.

Lessing in top form

TRIATHLON: Simon Lessing, the world champion, could not have wished for better preparation for the defence of his title in Manchester in a week's time when he won the Strand Triathlon in Helsinki, Finland. Spencer Smith, his fellow Briton, and the world junior champion, out-paced Mike Pigg, of the United States, in the closing stages of the final run to take second place. Smith finished 17 seconds behind Lessing, who won in 49min 36sec, with Pigg a further seven seconds adrift. Karen Smyers, of the United States, saw off the challenge of another former world champion, Joanne Ritchie, of Canada, to win the women's event.

Fahey captures title

REAL TENNIS: Robert Fahey, the Australian professional, won the Australian Open championship with a straight-sets victory over Julian Snow, the British No 1, in Melbourne yesterday. Fahey, the new head professional at Hobart, was seeded only fourth but defeated the favourite, Wayne Davies, the world champion, in the semi-finals and looked equally convincing against Snow, the No 2 seed. The Australian exposed Snow's limitations with some hard hitting and outstanding retrieving. His courage to go for winning shots on important points helped him to a 6-0, 6-4, 6-5 triumph.

Edberg reaches final

TENNIS: Stefan Edberg, of Sweden, beat the world No 1 and Wimbledon champion, Pete Sampras 6-7, 7-5, 7-6 in the semi-finals of the ATP championship in Cincinnati on Saturday. Edberg, the No 3 seed, was due to play Michael Chang in the final last night. Chang beat his fellow American, Andre Agassi, 7-5, 1-6, 7-5 despite suffering from dehydration in the extreme heat.

Martina Navratilova beat Gabriela Sabatini 6-1, 6-1 in 52 minutes in the semi-finals of the Virginia Slims of Los Angeles tournament. In the final she will play Arantxa Sánchez Vicario, who defeated Lori McNeil 7-5, 6-2.

FOR THE RECORD

AUSTRALIAN RULES

AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE (AFL): North Melbourne 19.14 (128) bt Richmond 11.18 (84); West Coast Eagles 10.7 (67) bt Hawthorn 6 9 (45). Adelaide Crows 13.27 (105) bt Melbourne 6.10 (46); Essendon 14.14 (98) bt Footscray 12.13 (85); St Kilda 11 18 (84) bt Carlton 10.17 (77); Fitzroy 17.12 (114) bt Sydney Swans 15.9 (99).

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Friday: San Francisco Giants 4, Chicago Cubs 1; Atlanta Braves 14, Cincinnati Reds 0; Montreal Expos 4, St Louis Cardinals 3 (11 inns); Philadelphia Phillies 9, New York Mets 5; Pittsburgh Pirates 8, Florida Marlins 3; Colorado Rockies 5, Houston Astros 3; San Diego Padres 4, Los Angeles Dodgers 1. Saturday: Chicago Cubs 3, San Francisco Giants 2; Atlanta Braves 4, Cincinnati Reds 2, New York Mets 9, Philadelphia Phillies 5; Florida Marlins 8, Pittsburgh Pirates 3; St Louis Cardinals 2, Montreal Expos 0; Houston Astros 9, Colorado Rockies 0; Los Angeles Dodgers 4, San Diego Padres 3.
AMERICAN LEAGUE: Friday: Milwaukee Brewers 6, Detroit Tigers 1 and 7-1; Cleveland Indians 6, Texas Rangers 3; New York Yankees 4, Baltimore Orioles 1; Boston Red Sox 5, Toronto Blue Jays 3; Chicago White Sox 5, Kansas City Royals 4; Minnesota Twins 5, Oakland Athletics 2; Seattle Mariners 2, California Angels 1. Saturday: Toronto Blue Jays 5, Boston Red Sox 2. New York Yankees 4, Baltimore Orioles 2; Minnesota Twins 5, Oakland Athletics 1 (12 inns) and 6-2; Chicago White Sox 4, Kansas City Royals 1; Cleveland Indians 8, Texas Rangers 5; Detroit Tigers 5, Milwaukee Brewers 1; Seattle Mariners 7, California Angels 2.

BOWLS

WORTHING: Sanatogen EBA national championships: Triples: Quarter-finals: Greenhill, Dorset bt Herts, Watford, 16-14; Marlborough, Ipswich bt Boscombe Cliff, 16-10; Preston, Brighton bt Stanley View Lane Park, 19-12; Gosport bt Honiton, 28-15. Semi-finals: A Sale, J Barrell and R Cutts (Marlborough, Ipswich) bt J Searle, J Crabb, B Patterson (Greenhill, Dorset), 16-15; P Lewis, M Ireland, D Williams (Preston, Brighton) bt N O'Donovan, H Orr, D Collins (Gosport), 21-13. Final: Preston bt Marlborough, 21-20 (after extra end).

BOXING

BUENOS AIRES: WBA light-welterweight championship: Juan Martin Coggi (Arg, holder) bt José Barboza (Ven), pts.
GUADALAJARA: WBC lightweight championship: Miguel Angel Gonzalez (Mex, holder) bt David Sample (US), pts.
HAMMERSMITH, London: Light-heavyweight (10 rnds): M McCullum (Jam) bt G Thomas (US), pts.

CRICKET

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Sunderland: Durham 138 (D A Blenkiron 52; A Walker 4-25, J N Snape 4-46); Northamptonshire 138-7. Match drawn. Elland: Sussex 198-8 dec; Yorkshire 199-5 (B Parker 78). Yorkshire won by 5 wkts. Blackpool: Lancashire 284-8 dec (R C Irani 124, J E R Gallian 65) and 2nd inns forfeited; Hampshire forfeited 1st inns and 215-7 (J R Wood 63; N A Derbyshire 4-81). Match drawn.
SCHOOLS TOUR MATCH: St Charles, Pietermaritzburg (SA) 163-5, St George's, Weybridge 152-8.
TOUR MATCH: Sri Lanka Board President's XI 90 (B N Schultz 4-18; C E Eksteen 4-29) and 182 (Eksteen 4-55); South Africans 285 (D J Cullinan 92, S J Cook 88). South Africans won by an innings and 13 runs (in Galle).

CYCLING

LEEDS INTERNATIONAL CLASSIC (144 miles): 1, A Volpi (It, Mecair), 6hr 41min 22sec; 2, J Skibby (Den, TVM), at 3sec; 3, M Fondriest (Italy, Lampre); 4, M Sciandri (It, Motorola), both same time; 5, L Armstrong (US, Motorola), 36sec; 6, G Theunisse (Holl, TVM), same time; 7 H Imboden (Switz, Mecair), 38sec; 8 J Museeuw (Bel, GB-MG Maglificio), 8min 30sec; 9 A Kappes (Ger, Mecair); 10 S Sunderland (Aus, TVM), both same time. Teams: 1, Mecair, 17pts; 2, TVM, 9; 3, Motorola, 8. World Cup: 1, Fondriest, 144pts; 2, Museeuw, 87; 3, Sciandri, 81; 4, Volpi, 75; 5, F Ballerini (It, GB-MG Maglificio), 73; 6, R Sorensen (Den, Carrera), 68; 7, G Chiappucci (It, Carrera), 65, equal 8, R Jaermann (Switz, Ariostea), G Duclos-Lassalle (Fr, Gan), 50; equal 10, F Maassen (Holl, WordPerfect), G Furlan (It, Ariostea). 40. Teams: 1, GB-MG Maglificio, 55; 2, Histor-Laser, 46; 3, Ariostea, 33.
TIME-TRIALS: Wessex RC (100 miles): C Brooks (VC Camelot), 3hr 47min 6sec (course and event record). Team: Antelope RT, 12:47:45. Cleveleys RC (100 miles): H Iddon (Cleveleys RC), 3:56:01 (course record). Team: Cleveleys RC, 12:48:29. South Lancashire RC (100 miles). S Walton (Manchester Wheelers), 3:58:54. Team: Weaver Valley CC, 12:58:45. British Universities SF championship: S Walton (Manchester University). Otley CC (50 miles). P Longbottom (North Wirral Velo), 1:45.31 Team: Morley CC, 5:38:48. Fullarton Wheelers (Ayrshire, 50 miles): J Gladwell (Velo RT), 1:52:38 (course and event record) San Fairy Ann CC (Kent, 50 miles): L Martin (San Fairy Ann CC), 1:54:07. Team: San Fairy Ann CC, 5:49:43. Cheltenham and County CC (50 miles): J Gregory (Cheltenham and County), 1:58:53. Team: Dursley RC, 6:13:57. Shropshire CCA (50 miles): M Tabor (Chester RC), 2:05:01. Team: Mid-Shropshire Wheelers, 6:33:15. Cardiff Ajax CC (30 miles): J Pritchard (Bio RT), 1:03:19 (Welsh record). Finsbury Park CC (25 miles): S Dangerfield (Leo RC), 48:59 (course and event record). Team: Leo RC, 2:33:42. Leicester Forest CC (25 miles): W Moore (Leo RC), 53:14. Team: Coalville Wheelers, 2:49:34. Wolverhampton Wheelers (25 miles): B Charley (Stourbridge CC), 54:07. Team: Stourbridge CC, 2:51:53. AS Rangers CC (25 miles): E Adkins (Leo RC), 54:17. Team: Icknield RC, 3:07:29. Coventry RC (25 miles): M Purshouse (Royal Sutton CC), 55:53. Rhos-on-Sea CC (25 miles): F Allen (VC Halton), 56:01. Team: Birkenhead North End CC, 2:58:54.
ROAD RACES: BCF National junior championship (Havant, 75 miles): J Taylor (Beeston RC), 3:16:35. Bromsgrove grand prix (75 miles): D Williams (RT Italia), 2:42:32. Allied Dunbar Classic (Swindon, 81 miles): G Baker (Olympia Sport), 3:41:14. Carlisle Great Fair (68 miles): C Newton (Middridge CRT), 2:54:00. Greater London championship (Chinnor, 88 miles): M Stephens (RT Italia), 3:19:00. Castlereagh grand prix (Belfast, 62 miles): I Proctor (Belvoir RC), 2:25.38.

FOOTBALL

SOUTH AMERICAN CONMEBOL CUP: First round, first leg: Atlético Mineiro (Br) 2, Fluminense (Br) 0.

GLIDING

HUSBANDS BOSWORTH, Leicestershire: British 15-metre national championships: Fourth day (505km quad; Chinnor, Newark, Bury St Edmunds): 1, M Wells (LS8C), 102.64kph, 1,000pts; 2, P Sheard (Ventus), 97.09, 953; equal 3, N Wair (Ventus), M Dawson (Ventus), 95.5, 939; 5, P Jeffery (LS7), 95.13, 936; 6, A Pozerskis (Discus), 94.75, 933; 7, G Morris (ASW20), 94.26, 928; 8, A Clarke (Ventus), 94.19, 928; 9, E Johnston (LS6A), 93.7, 924, 10, R Smith (Ventus), 92.68, 915; 11, M Young (Discus), 92.56, 914. Fifth day (181km tri; Headington, Woburn; all 49 completed; devalued by winner's speed): 1, E Johnston (LS6), 103.2 kph, 703 pts; 2, G Morris (ASW20), 102.5, 696; 3, T Lysakowski (Ventus), 102.3, 693; 4, A Clarke (Ventus), 102.2, 692; 5, A Pozerskis (Discus), 102.1, 691; 6, R Jones (Ventus), 101.84, 689, 7, J Edyvean (Ventus), 101.5, 686; 8, M Dawson (Ventus), 100.8, 678; 9, T Sheard (Ventus), 100.4, 678. No flying yesterday. Final overall placings: 1, Lysakowski, 3,132pts; 2, Edyvean, 3,072; 3, D MacPherson (ASW20), 3,064; 4, T Jeffery (LS7), 3,031; 5, N Wair (Ventus), 2,993; 6, M Wells (LS6), 2,983; 7, Dawson, 2,924; 8, S Redman (LS6), 2,882; 9, S Crabb (LS7), 2,831; 10, C Garton (LS6), 2,809.

HOCKEY

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: Men: England 2 South Africa 1 (in Milton Keynes). Women: Holland 2, Australia 3 (in Vught).

LACROSSE

WOMEN'S WORLD CUP: Final: United States 4, England 1; Third place: Australia 14, Canada 3; Fifth place: Scotland 15, Wales 2 (in Edinburgh).

SQUASH

BSPA BRITISH CHALLENGE: Bristol final: P Marshall bt C Walker, 15-9, 15-8, 12-15, 15-12. Durham final: C Walker bt P Marshall, 15-12, 15-12, 8-15, 13-15, 17-15.

EQUESTRIANISM

BONN-RODDERBERG, Germany: European young riders three-day event championships: Individual: 1, Vital Decision, (T Boon, GB), 59.8pts; 2, The Optimist (L Rutherford, GB), 64.2; 3, Be Careful (B Briel, Ger), 67.4. Other British placings: 7, Little Victor (D Dick, GB), 73.8. Teams: 1, Britain, 197.8; 2, Germany, 222.6; 3, Ireland, 509.2.

GOLF

VIENNA: Austrian Open: Final scores (GB and Ireland unless stated): 274: R Rafferty, 65, 69, 72, 68; A Sorensen (Den), 70, 67, 68, 69 — Rafferty won play-off at first extra hole. 275: P-U Johansson (Swe), 70, 67, 70, 68. 276: S Struver (Ger), 72, 63, 72, 69; J Taylor (Aus), 68, 71, 68, 71. 278: G Turner (NZ), 68, 67, 71, 72; P Mayo, 68, 70, 67, 73. 280: D R Jones, 72, 68, 70, 70; B Barnes, 72, 68, 69, 71; S Bowman (US), 72, 68, 68, 72; C Paulerson (US), 68, 67, 69, 76. 281: J Townsend (US), 69, 71, 70, 71; M Clayton (Aus), 67, 73, 70, 71; A Bossert (Switz), 77, 67, 66, 71; D Ray, 67, 75, 68, 71. 282: P Broadhurst, 67, 73, 70, 72; P Talbot, 71, 70, 72, 69; G Hjertstedt (Swe), 70, 73, 70, 69; G Brand Jr, 72, 69, 69, 72; D Clarke, 73, 68, 70, 73; E O'Connell, 67, 67, 74, 74; D Hospital (Sp), 66, 73, 70, 73; P Curry, 65, 71, 72, 74; M Mackenzie, 68, 68, 70, 76; M Miller, 71, 67, 68, 76. 283: J Robson, 70, 69, 72, 72; P Mitchell, 67, 69, 73, 74; C Williams, 71, 70, 69, 74.
MALONE: Belfast Telegraph Irish senior masters: Final scores (GB unless stated): 208: G Player (SA), 68, 68, 72. 210: J-M Roca (Sp), 72, 71, 67. 211: T Horton, 70, 71, 70. 212: D Butler, 70, 71, 71; R Whitehead, 69, 69, 74. 215: J Fourie (SA), 74, 70, 71; P Ferranti (US), 74, 71, 70; R Botts (US), 70, 74, 71. 217: R Verwey (SA), 69, 77, 71. 219: A Grubb, 75, 71, 73; J Carr (US), 72, 72, 75; G Will, 75, 74, 70. 220: B Waites, 70, 76, 74; D Snell, 75, 73, 72; H Muscroft, 76, 72, 72.
NAPERVILLE, Illinois: Women's tournament: Third round (US unless stated): 201: C Schreyer, 67, 68, 66; E King, 67, 67, 67. 205: K Monaghan, 66, 69, 70; M Figueras-Dotti (Sp), 69, 65, 71. 206: D Eggeling, 68, 71, 67; D Mochrie, 69, 66, 71. 207: S Maynor (GB), 71, 71, 65; G Graham (Can), 67, 73, 67. 208: M Morris, 71, 70, 67; N Lopez, 70, 70, 68; P Rizzo, 71, 68, 69; L Kean, 69, 70, 69; J Larsen, 67, 71, 70. 209: P Dunlap, 71, 71, 67; D Baldwin, 71, 70, 68; J Dickinson, 72, 68, 69; N Scranton, 69, 72, 68; S Steinhauer, 69, 70, 70, M Redman, 72, 66, 71; A Finney, 67, 71, 71; S Little (SA), 69, 68, 72; D Ammaccapane, 68, 69, 72.

REAL TENNIS

MELBOURNE: Australian open championship (Australia unless stated): Men's singles: Semi-finals: R Fahey bt W Davies, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3; J Snow (GB) bt F Filippelli, 6-1, 6-1, 6-1. Final: Fahey bt Snow, 6-0, 6-4, 6-5. Men's doubles: Final: W Davies and M Clothier (US) bt R Fahey and R Hyland, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4. Women's singles: Semi-finals: H Mursell bt A Bartlett (US) 6-1, 6-2; B Baker bt J Drewitt 6-4, 6-2.



Rafferty: won play-off

RUGBY LEAGUE

WINFIELD CUP: Brisbane Broncos 50 Balmain 0, Cronulla-Sutherland 12 Canberra Raiders 42; South Sydney 38, Eastern Suburbs 20; Penrith 18, St George 14; North Sydney 34, Newcastle Knights 4; Manly-Warringah 46, Gold Coast Seagulls 0; Parramatta 12, Canterbury-Bankstown 19; Illawarra Steelers 36, Western Suburbs 12.

RUGBY UNION

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Australia 28, South Africa 20 (in Brisbane; three-match series level 1-1).

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Arena Essex 63, Cradley Heath 45; Cradley Heath 48, Belle Vue 60; Eastbourne 62, Ipswich 46; King's Lynn 60, Wolverhampton 48; Bradford 54, King's Lynn 54. Second division: Swindon 73, Middlesbrough 35.
SPEEDWAY STAR KO CUP: Semi-final, first leg: Coventry 54, Bradford 54.

SHOOTING

OTTAWA: Canadian national championships: Governor-General's Prize: 1, A Ringer (British Commonwealth RC), 398; 2, D Sewell (Can), 394; 3, G Chase (Can), 394; 4, A Tucker (GB), 394 (countback). Other British scores: N Ball, 389; P Kent, 388. Grand aggregate: 1, Chase, 811; 2, R Surette (Can), 807; 3, G Bissonette (Can), 804; 4, T Raincock (Athelings), 804. Tess Spencer Trophy (women): 1, T Paul (BCRC), 782; 2, S Kent (GB), 775. Potter Memorial Trophy (18-19 yrs): 1, S Brown (GB), 781; 2, D Gillett (Athelings), 778. Viscount Wakefield Trophy (cadets): 1, S Black (Athelings); 2, Raincock; 3, A Chapman (Athelings). Michael Faraday Trophy (cadet teams): 1, Athelings, 1,722 (Raincock 146); 2, Canada, 1,662. Gatineau Trophy (800m): 1, Chase, 75/25/5/5; 2, Surette, 75/25/5/4; 3, R Birtwhistle (Athelings), 75/25/5/3; 6, Black, 75; 9, Raincock, 75. Under-25 match: 1, Athelings A, 1,146 (P McCullough 148); 2, Canada A, 1,144; 3, Athelings B, 1,141. Patron's match (900m): 1, D Taylor (GB), 73; 4, R Roberts (GB), 70. Canada Trophy (short): 1, Canada, 1,180; 2, GB, 1,141 (A Luckman 146). Commonwealth Trophy (long): 1, Canada, 1,147; 2, GB, 1,134 (B Hanigan 97).

SWIMMING

KOBE, Japan: Pan Pacific championships: Men: 50m freestyle: J Olsen (US), 22.68sec; 400m freestyle: K Perkins (Aus), 3min 49.43sec; 1,500m freestyle: Perkins, 14:55.92; 200m breaststroke: P Rogers (Aus), 2:13.50; 200m backstroke: R Sharp (US), 1:59.21; 100m butterfly: M Henderson (US), 53.91, 200m individual medley: M Dunn (Aus), 2:01:52; 4x100m medley relay: United States, 3:39.52. Women: 50m freestyle: J Thompson (US), 25.60; 400m freestyle: J Evans (US), 4:07.47; 800m freestyle: Evans, 8:23.72; 200m breaststroke: A Nall (US), 2:28.40; 200m backstroke: B Bedford (US), 2:10.97; 100m butterfly: J Thompson (US), 59.33; 200m individual medley: A Wagner (US), 2:12.54; 4x100m medley relay: United States, 4:04.90.

TENNIS

CINCINNATI: Men's tournament (US unless stated): Third round: S Edberg (Swe) bt W Ferreira (SA), 6-4, 6-2; M Stich (Ger) bt M Woodforde (Aus), 6-3, 6-3; A Agassi bt D Flach, 7-5, 6-1; B Gilbert bt A Volkov (Russ), 3-6, 6-2, 6-2; P Sampras bt A Krickstein, 6-2, 7-5; M Chang bt J Morgan, 6-1, 7-6; S Bryan bt A Medvedev (Ukr), 6-3, 7-6; J Stoltenberg (Aus) bt J Siemerink (Holl), 7-6, 3-6, 7-5. Quarter-finals: Edberg bt Gilbert, 6-4, 6-2; Agassi bt Stich, 6-3, 6-2; Sampras bt Bryan, 6-4, 6-0; Chang bt Stoltenberg, 7-6, 5-7, 6-3. Semi-finals: Chang bt Agassi, 7-5, 1-6, 7-5; Edberg bt Sampras, 6-7, 7-5, 7-6.
LOS ANGELES: Women's tournament: Quarter-finals: A Sánchez Vicario (Sp) bt Z Garrison-Jackson (US), 6-3, 3-6, 6-2; G Sabatini (Arg) bt K Po (US), 6-4, 6-2; L McNeil (US) bt M Maleeva (Bul), 1-6, 7-6, 7-5; M Navratilova (US) bt A Coetzer (SA), 6-1, 6-1. Semi-finals: Sánchez Vicario bt McNeil, 7-5, 6-2; Navratilova bt Sabatini, 6-1, 6-1.
SAN MARINO: Men's tournament: Semi-finals: T Muster (Austria) bt D Rikl (Cz), 6-4, 6-1; R Furlan (It) bt A Gaudenzi (It), 6-4, 3-6, 7-6. Final: Muster bt Furlan, 7-5, 7-5.
NOTTINGHAM: Midland Bank national junior championships: Boys' 18 and under singles: First round: B Webber (Cambs) bt N Morgan (Kent), 6-1, 6-3; A Moran (Oxon) bt J Bartlett (Devon), 2-6, 7-6, 6-4; P Jessop (Staffs) bt J Layne (Cambs), 6-2, 6-4; C Anders (Lancs) bt M Calvert (Yorks), 7-5, 4-6, 6-4; J Trotman (Suffolk) bt S Crabtree (Northants), 4-6, 7-5, 7-2; M Stocks (Norfolk) bt C Bennett (Hereford and Worc), 3-6, 6-3, 6-4; R Clarke (Leics) bt M Ferraro (Surrey), 7-6, 7-5; S Pender (Corn) bt J Fallis (Essex), 6-4, 6-3; M Woolley (Worcs) bt P Hodson (N Wales), 6-3, 6-1; M Powell (Notts) bt N Jones (Hereford and Worc), 6-4, 6-4; M Ratcliffe (Northumb) bt M Lee (Sussex), 1-6, 6-3, 6-6; J Cross (Channel Is) bt M Sivier (Hereford and Worc), 7-5, 6-2; M Ingham (Lancs) bt A Hughes (Surrey), 6-2, 6-3; O Hadden (N Scot) bt R Watkins (Wilts) 2-6, 7-5, 6-4; R Harrison (Derbys) bt M Boulding (Yorks), 6-1, 6-4; M Coombs (Essex) bt P Dhaliwal (Notts), 7-6, 7-6; J Hind (Kent) bt B Johnson (Cheshire), 7-6, 7-6; J Fox (Lincs) bt A Miller (Lancs), 6-3, 6-2.

TRIATHLON

HELSINKI: ITP Tour: The Strand: Men: 1, S Lessing (GB), 49min 36sec; 2, S Smith (GB), 49:53; 3, M Pigg (US), 50:00. Women: 1, K Smyers (US), 55:56; 2, J Ritchie (Can), 56:22; 3, I Mouthon (Fr), 57:08.

WRESTLING

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YACHTING

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Thursday is D-day for A-level results: some advice if the news is not so good . . . and one graduate's recommendations

How grades can be made to count


ADRIAN BROOKS

Paper wait: if results are not as good as expected, 50,000 opportunities may be available through clearing

The stress of the examination hall will return to haunt the current crop of university candidates this week as the anxious wait for A-level results nears its end. The results, released on Thursday, will herald good news for about half of the 400,000 who applied. They will match or better their required grades and secure a university place with the minimum disruption to summer holidays.

Those whose grades fall below their conditional offers should not be disheartened. Each year thousands of students find themselves in this position and still get on to suitable degree courses.

For those who narrowly miss their target grades: first ring the institution that made the offer and confirm whether it has actually rejected you. If not, it is worth trying to persuade the admissions tutor to relax the entry requirement. A good tactic is to ask your head teacher to plead your case.

If urgent appeals to your first choice and "insurance" institution fail, then the next port of call is clearing. This is the scheme operated by UCCA and PCAS, the admission bodies for the traditional universities and the former polytechnics. It attempts to match vacancies with prospective students who have missed their first choices. The search for an alternative offer can be exhausting and confusing. If you are worried about your grades now, clear your diary for at least three weeks, and stay home with a telephone at hand.

One consolation is that there will be plenty of degree courses available. Last year more than 50,000 people found a university or college place through clearing — almost one in five of those entering higher education. Mike Scott, deputy chief executive of PCAS, predicts competition will be tougher this year because the recent expansion in higher education has come to a halt after government cuts of up to 30 per cent in tuition fees for arts and social science courses. As a result, careful preparation, clear-sightedness and a cool head will be more essential than ever.

The clearing system is best tackled with the support of your school or college. Discuss your options with the careers adviser. These should include re-sitting A levels or taking a Higher National Diploma which can often lead on to a degree course. Reference books show you the standard entry requirements for university and college courses and establish which are within your range.

Do not consider those which demand more than six points greater than your score (calculated by counting ten for an A-level grade A, eight for a B, and so on). Do not wait to start looking until you have received clearing documents and an entry form. These are sent automatically to all who filled in applications but failed to receive an offer or did not achieve their target.

Joe Ruston, chairman of the Mander Portman Woodward network of tutorial colleges, urges caution about clearing: "Don't forget that the universities need students. If there are unfilled places and you have the right grades, the admissions staff will be keen to 'sell' you that place. Be careful that you really know what the course entails and where it will be taught."

Among the horror stories last year, he says, were applicants for business studies who were encouraged to accept places for engineering with management. These were really engineering courses with a bit of management tacked on. Some who signed up had no interest in engineering and dropped out feeling cheated.

Accommodation is another problem area. Over the last three years the universities have increased student numbers by more than 60,000 while building programmes have struggled to keep pace. Some students have started their fresher year in caravan parks, bed and breakfast houses or even on gymnasium floors. Others have found parts of their course franchised out to local sixth-form colleges because of a shortage of lecture hall space, and missed out on the communal life of the university.

If you do make the wrong choice and find yourself on a course you dislike, it is important to withdraw before the seventh week of the second term. Otherwise, you risk losing the right to a mandatory grant if you embark on a different course later.

BEN PRESTON

● *The Times* is to publish detailed advice and guidance for university and college applicants in the coming weeks. The service, starting once A-level results are published on Thursday, will help readers cope with clearing procedures as they hunt for a place.

Clearing the way to a bright future

I had managed to clock up 18 points in my A-level grades but I received ten rejections from English departments around the country. Something told me I had to rethink my future.

As luck would have it, there was a clearing service in *The Times*, in which universities and polytechnics published details of courses with vacancies and the number of points needed to get in. Clearing sorted out my future and it could sort out yours.

Last month I achieved a BA (Hons) in combined studies (education) from Manchester University. I am about to start a post-graduate certificate of education (primary) at Manchester Metropolitan University. My future looks good but, without clearing, things may well have been very different.


Deborah Green: degree success

Whoever decided to team-up A levels and Future was either mad or bad as the two do not make a pretty pair. So much is deemed to hinge on A levels, and the sixth-form years consist of what feels like a need to make many vital decisions, such as what to study, where, and whether or not your choice is realistic. Half of me wanted to be a journalist but my other half knew deep down that teaching was really for me. I applied to study English, history and politics in the sixth. I had always been good at English and although it is a very competitive course, you have to aim for something when you take A levels — so why not go for the bullseye?

As August loomed, I convinced my parents that there I could not possibly have passed my A levels well enough to study English and I persuaded them that re-takes would be sensible. I enrolled at a college to re-sit history and politics because I was sure the grades in those subjects would need improving. As it happened I got an A level for politics and an E for history. With a C in English, I had the equivalent of three Cs, which can provide access to university. But English was out of the question.

My mother had told me about the son of a friend of hers who had found a place on a course through clearing. Although the course was not what he had originally intended, he was very happy and she suggested that I do the same thing.

I remember looking at the lists of subjects available which I could do with 18 points. Most of them were for science or agriculture courses but there were also many interesting-sounding arts courses, including combined studies at Manchester University.

The course seemed perfect, offering me the opportunity to learn about educational issues while also keeping an interest in a subject of my choice. It would give me direction — unusual for an arts course. So that is where I went.

Schools cannot possibly know about every course on offer. At home, they all merge into one when you flick through volumes of prospectuses, one of which, you hope, contains your dream course.

My course was hidden away in the Manchester University prospectus and, had I seen it earlier, I would probably have applied for it as it was not asking for 22 stress-inducing points. I never did study English but American studies proved far more enjoyable — another subject I had not previously considered.

Schools know about traditional courses, but if you look carefully there are others, perhaps a little unusual or different from what you imagined yourself doing. Clearing may lead you to an alternative route, but in the end it gives you access to the student world. So don't dismiss clearing.

Here I am, three years later and supposedly wiser, with some knowledge of hearing aids and Hollywood — about to pursue a life of chalk dust. For someone who thought she had messed up her A levels that is quite an achievement. If you are in a similar position, do not despair. Clearing is the alternative to re-takes.

DEBORAH GREEN

A test of the schoolteachers, too

Sixth-formers will be watching the letterbox like hawks this week. The arrival of A-level results will determine whether or not they get a university place. What many forget is that A levels ought to be as much a test of teachers as of pupils.

I sat my examinations last summer and scraped a university place. Although my east London school regularly appears in league tables of the top 100 state schools, I did not think it gave me the education I deserved.

Most of my class of ten taking A-level French achieved grade As at GCSE. Yet when it really mattered, the highest grade we obtained at A level was a D. Why did our grades deteriorate so sharply between 16 and 18? The evidence speaks for itself.

We felt so strongly about some of the teaching that we complained, first to the head of year, then to the headmaster. The standard improved for a week or so, then fell back. On the rare occasions we were set homework, marking took months. Even when I hired personal tutors, I found it hard to make up for the poor school lessons.

What was the attitude of the school authorities? After our dismal results were published, I learnt that the same teachers would be taking other A-level classes. I confronted the headmaster but was told "it was none of my business" and that, unfortunately, having one or two less-able teachers was a fact of life.

Why are such things tolerated? I nearly lost my university place, as did my friends. A few went through clearing successfully, others had to re-take the exam.

Was it "any of my business"? I think it was — what about the next class that has to struggle to get on despite the efforts of a hopelessly inadequate teacher? Teachers must be accountable for the results of their pupils. Publication of this summer's A-level results will mark a good time to start.

NICOLA DANN

Nice work if you don't get it



Doing a summer job? A young person's guide to the art of skiving, impressing the boss and looking busy

In America they are called MacJobs, work that requires little skill, has no prospects and is rewarded with low pay. In England they were the sort of jobs I took after I left school and during university holidays. There used to be lots of them, if you knew where to look. This did not require much knowledge because at one time the entire public sector was constructed of MacJobs.

But things change. In this post-Thatcherite, recession-bound Britain, students are a real source of worry to me. Deprived of index-linked grants, forced to take loans, and unable to sign on, they do not even have the security of a slack job to fall back on in those long summer months.

I left school in 1984 and had a year off before university. Things were not exactly easy then, either, so the first job I took was in the Windsor McDonald's, at the time the company's so-called "flagship of Europe". This was a serious mistake since McDonald's is an American company.

Badly paid, virtually skill-less, with no prospects whatever visible through the grease, the job was, however, anything but slack. The stylish nylon uniform had no pockets, in order to prevent stealing and slouching. Whenever an idle moment had been earned, a broom or mop was thrust into my unwilling hands. After two weeks I walked out and never looked back.

That Christmas I worked as a porter in Harrods. We skateboarded our manual fork-lifts through the tunnels and, most importantly, were impossible to keep track of. The opportunities for skiving were endless. The morning was spent visiting friends in other storerooms, lunch taken in the pub, and the afternoon discreetly dozing among the soft goods.

One afternoon I woke in my storeroom and decided to show my face on the shop floor. Conscientiously, I locked its door on my way out, little realising that in so doing I was confining my boss and the shop's ground-floor manager, who had entered for an inspection during my nap.

The dream job was the roving porter who was attached to no particular department, but was drafted in when needed. It was well known that roving porters did no work at all. Later that summer I saw one on a beach in Thailand.

The next year I entered the inner sanctum of MacJobs — the civil service. The training I had put in on the beach, at Harrods and university really came into its own when I signed up as an assistant in the National Geological Museum Library.

'We all survived, but there were many casualties'

The collection was being moved and there were about six of us responsible for cataloguing the books and crating them for their weekly collection. The beauty of this job was that it finished when the last book left the premises, so we could make it last as long as we wanted. We were also little supervised.

I spent that summer practising my James Stewart impressions. My friends and I were making paper darts, which we tested from the flat roof, throwing them on to Exhibition Road. All the while we were in one of the many depositories, chatting with Helen and listening to the radio.

One legendary day we discovered a disused way into the Science Museum. On hands and knees, we pushed through the door and emerged on the moon, much to the bemusement of the assembled parties of schoolchildren. Brushing ourselves down and with no more than a cursory nod towards Neil Armstrong, we set off to explore.

When university beckoned again, the job was, not surprisingly, unfinished and Helen stayed on cataloguing. I left her my radio for company. The only thing is, because I had to sign the Official Secrets Act, I am not at liberty to let you know the location of the office lavatories.

What I can reveal, should any such sinecures still exist, are some of the secrets of being slack while keeping your MacJob. Do not wear a suit to the interview because it sets a standard you will not want to follow. Always appear to be busy, especially if you are not. Never give anyone the opportunity to doubt your indispensability or allot you a new task. Find a safe refuge, somewhere to retreat to when you are unable even to appear busy. Charm your boss. Never push your luck too far; always get the job done.

Most importantly, wherever you go, carry a file under your arm — everyone will assume you are doing something or going somewhere when you are simply out for a stroll around the building. The file will come in particularly useful for secreting your newspaper — to read when you visit the lavatory.

As a measure of how the climate for skiving altered over a few years, I give an example. In 1987 and 1990 I worked for the same local authority. In 1987 all was as it should be. Arrival at the office melded into the morning's first coffee break; lunch marked the effective end of the day.

In 1990, to support my student overdraft I returned to the council, but it just wasn't the same. They do say that you can never go back. I should have known. On my first day, as I took my coffee break at my desk, I unfolded my newspaper and was ticked off. This came as a very unwelcome revelation. Worse was to come. Even as temps, we were expected to work. Horror of horrors, contracts for people who didn't were not renewed.

I was not to be defeated. Things were more difficult, but there was some scope for taking it easy. If you were clever you could still play the system. Kev and I were past masters. We rivalled each other's ability in appearing to be busy. We even managed to use the office for its true purpose — ours.

To this end we called our friends, put personal letters through the franking machine, and typed up our CVs and job applications, while being praised for our efficiency. We survived, but there were many casualties. When they finally got rid of the office eccentric who changed into his slippers when he arrived at work, I decided it was time to go.

So what do I do now? I'm a freelance journalist, which is a really slack job if you don't mind having no money.

JAMES FISHER

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Romper Stomper: Ugly Australians who got past the British Board of Film Classification without cuts when less violent films did not. Courtesy of Medusa Pictures

Censors and sensibilities

Film and video censorship is the focus of increasing public concern.

Geoff Brown looks at the anomalies built into our present system

Did you know that the number of Asian films examined by the British Board of Film Classification in 1992 was three times the number of films submitted from Britain? Or that the excision of a single swear word gave *Chaplin* a 12 certificate, rather than a 15? And were you aware that the Board removed from one video a shot of a lighted cigarette placed inside an iguana's mouth?

Curious facts leap from the pages of the Board's annual report, published last month. But there are serious matters at issue here, too. In a year when debate about media violence reached panic pitch, the report has far greater public relevance than most statistics that land on the Home Secretary's desk.

Consider the context. Over the winter months, a succession of exceptionally violent, stylised films hit our cinemas, several with critics' approval: *Man Bites Dog*, *Reservoir Dogs* and *Bad Lieutenant*. Then, in February, came the James Bulger case, renewing fears that violent videos can turn youngsters into amoral zombies — a fear reflected in a masterly and chilling new German film, *Benny's Video*, opening in London next week. Shortly after, Michael Medved arrived in Britain: the author of jejune joke books such as *The Fifty Worst Movies of All Time* hoisted his flag as a serious thinker by stripping bare godless Hollywood.

Against this background, you might think the Board would have been cutting footage like the demon barber. Yet only 28 films from 1992 required trimming: at 8.8 per cent of the year's total, the lowest number since the Board began business in 1913. There was also a decline in the number of censored videos. Seven per cent needed the scissors in 1991; last year, the figure was 6.4.

But how do we interpret these figures? Do they point to greater leniency by the Board's director James Ferman and his team, or are films actually becoming better behaved? The Board, incredibly, does have good news to spread. Films with U or PG certificates are increasing as producers make a play for family audiences. Drug abuse and rape scenes have diminished.

> 'Look in vain for written regulations that govern their work'

Yet the overall outlook is not rosy. The Board notes with gloom the tide of merchandising many films bring, damaging their efforts to cut back the weaponry superheroes use on-screen. They see serious trouble in the relaxation of EC border controls, and the inevitable erosion of differences between member countries with sex entertainment standards "markedly different from our own". They place no great faith in parents' abilities to regulate children's viewing.

From one standpoint, the report gives the impression that, far from being more lenient, the Board is behaving with extra vigilance. The rest of us may sit back with popcorn; Ferman's 22 examiners, four PhDs and a JP among them, sit two at a time with notepad and stop-watch, clocking the incidence of four-letter words, maiming blows, butterfly knives, flails and pitchfork assaults: neither an easy nor a pleasant life.

But look in the report for written regulations that govern their work, and you look in vain. In some cases the law of the land supplies chapter and verse. The Obscene Publications Act was extended to include film in 1977. The following year, the Protection of Children Act proscribed children's exposure to or participation in "indecent" acts, in films as well as magazines. The Cinematograph Films (Animals) Act of 1937 was invoked 17 times in 1992, removing scenes with falling horses, fighting cocks, dogs, cats, and, of course, iguanas.

Otherwise, the examiners stand unaided, classifying and wielding the scissors according to their own judgment, past decisions on similar cases, or whatever public opinion they gather. The result is a system with worrying anomalies that can confuse the public and exasperate film-makers and distributors.

As a direct result of the James Bulger case, the Board has delayed giving any certificate for the video release of Quentin Tarantino's *Reservoir Dogs* and Abel Ferrara's *Bad Lieutenant*. Had they arrived at the Board's offices earlier, they might well have been passed uncut, as happened to two other, far uglier offerings: the Australian *Romper Stomper* and *Man Bites Dog*. What treatment a film receives, the implication runs, partly depends on what week the Board is deliberating.

Another section in the report gives pause for thought, detailing how the Board's decisions can reflect complaints received in the post. Two years ago, 36 parents wrote about the distress their children suffered watching *Robin Hood — Prince of Thieves*, though the film had already been shorn of some violence to achieve its PG certificate. When the video arrived, the Board realised its "error of judgment" and insisted on extra cuts. The winsome *My Girl* prompted seven warnings about the risk of HIV transmission if children imitated its blood-bonding ritual. The video sleeve had to carry a health warning.

In both cases, correspondents had genuine cause for concern. But in the absence of written rules for the Board's deliberations, their openness to complaining letters brings obvious dangers. For any organisation allied in the public eye to the Establishment gets mail from professional axe-grinders and grouches.

To be fair, the Board appears aware of the risks. They know when a campaign is being mounted (*The Last Temptation of Christ* spawned 1,870 complaints, all received before the film reached Britain). They know when letters reflect parents' personal distaste rather than the aggrieved feelings of children. At least they say they know.

But a deeper understanding of public opinion would surely come from canvassing those who do not bridle and complain, but passively consume. At long last this is being done. One research study into video viewers' habits has been completed. A forthcoming project will focus on violent videos and their possible influence on juvenile offenders, though their influence on the innocent viewer is of greater concern.

One thing remains clear. The Board needs all the ammunition it can find to strike a balance between respecting film-makers' artistic rights and stemming the flow of mindless, desensitising brutality. May their 1993 annual report bring even fewer rapes, and no abused iguanas.

● *The British Board of Film Classification's 1992 annual report, and their research study "Video in View" may be obtained from the BBFC, 3 Soho Square, London W1V 5DE (071-439 7961).*

Singed but not reduced to ashes

Gillian Bowditch on how, after fire damaged one of the top venues, the Edinburgh Festival has been saved

The timing could not have been worse. The Playhouse Theatre in Edinburgh, self-proclaimed as "the largest theatre in Europe", was badly damaged by fire last week. The owners, Apollo Leisure, have seen a good part of the £2.2 million they spent on refurbishing the theatre go up in smoke.

Saturday night's VIP gala performance starring the singer Michael Ball had to be cancelled, but more seriously the opera programme of the Edinburgh International Festival was threatened with decimation. The centrepiece of the festival's opera programme, *Bluebeard's Castle* and *Erwartung*, directed by Robert Lepage, which were to be performed by the Canadian Opera Company making its European debut on August 28 and 29, came close to cancellation, as did Welsh National Opera's production of *Falstaff* (September 2 and 4).

Brian McMaster, the festival's director, spent Thursday and Friday negotiating with the Playhouse management in an attempt to salvage the opera programme. On Saturday, West End musicals producer Cameron Mackintosh is believed to have stepped in. He helped to persuade the Playhouse management to postpone its repairs to the theatre until next year and allow the festival's opera programme to go ahead.

Although the stage and auditorium of the theatre have not been destroyed by the fire, they have been smoke damaged. The backstage dressing rooms and the scenery dock have borne the brunt of the blaze. The Playhouse had wanted to carry out the £750,000 worth of repairs by September 16, in time for Mackintosh's 17-week run of the blockbuster musical *Les Misérables*. For that to happen the operas would have had to be sacrificed. Rumours that Mackintosh threatened to pull *Les Misérables* if the Playhouse was not made available to the festival are unconfirmed. At any rate the opera productions will now go on in the Playhouse, the only venue in Edinburgh suitable to stage them. *Bluebeard's Castle*, *Erwartung* and *Falstaff* are expected to be among the biggest draws at this year's festival, luring foreign opera lovers to the city. *Les Misérables*, meanwhile, will open as scheduled in the damaged theatre.

Richard Jarman, managing director of Scottish Opera, says he is delighted that the opera programme has been saved. "Both productions are being eagerly looked forward to by people throughout Scotland. The Welsh National Opera's production of *Falstaff* was very well received and Robert Lepage's productions received rave reviews in both Canada and the United States."

Ironically, while flames engulfed the Playhouse, Edinburgh was in the throes of building its long-awaited new opera house. The Edinburgh Festival Theatre is expected to be up and running in time for next year's festival and, according to its designers, will be the ideal venue for large-scale productions.

EDINBURGH FESTIVAL

In addition to a stage measuring 2,500 sq ft, making it the biggest stage in Britain outside of London, it will have dressing rooms for 180 people and an orchestra pit able to accommodate up to 110 players. Peter Iles, general manager of the Edinburgh Festival Theatre Trust, says: "I'm only sorry that it won't be ready in time for this year."

The theatre is being built by the architectural firm of Law and Dunbar-Nasmith Partnership on the site of the old Edinburgh Empire Palace Theatre at a cost of £14 million. It will have a stage big enough to accommodate any opera or dance production and an intimate auditorium despite a seating capacity of 1,900.

The theatre will open on June 25, 1994, and will be used exclusively by the festival for its entire duration next year. For Scottish Ballet and Scottish Opera, both based in Glasgow, it will also become their Edinburgh home.

TELEVISION: **Lynne Truss**

Less than 50 ways to profile Simon

In this season of repeats, it is easy to get confused. A 90-minute **South Bank Show** on Paul Simon? Scheduled for the middle of August? Well, obviously it's an old one. But in fact the programme shown on ITV last night was not a repeat, it just felt that way — partly because little has happened to Paul Simon recently; partly because a BBC1 *Omnibus* covered much the same ground in 1988; and partly because the film was indeed made last year, in America.

"Tonight we look at his career," said Melvyn Bragg, in the bolted-on introduction, but whereas this phrase usually implies a British production team hauling heavy equipment boxes off airport carousels, here it meant that LWT sat in the editing suite with its feet up, and "looked at" Paul Simon's career, in just the same manner as the rest of us.

The usual mixture of interviews (Paul Simon, Art Garfunkel, Paul's eager brother Eddie, Steve Martin, film director Mike Nichols) was intercut with nice archive footage from American TV (Simon famously dressed in a turkey-suit for *Saturday Night Live*), plus full performances of the all-time greats filmed on Simon's 1991-1992 world tour. Which was where the problem lay.

As he said himself, Paul Simon is a writer and a studio musician; on stage, surrounded by brilliant black guitarists and backing singers (all bigger than him, and better at carrying a tune), he is Little Voice personified, flattening his own melodies to fit a vocal range so limited as to be suggestive of laryngitis. Imagine that great whoop of a line, "Goodbye to Rosie, Queen of Corona," delivered in monotone by Julian Clary, and you will get something of the idea.

Whereas the *Omnibus* explored Paul Simon's development as a record-maker — in particular his method of adopting rhythm sections from black American music (leading quite naturally to the *Graceland* collaborations) — the main biographical plot of this *South Bank Show* was more obscure. What emerged, however, was an interesting question-mark over whether this man is a show-off.

Not a question to ask about many pop icons, admittedly. But given that Simon's songs are serious, intimate; given that he formerly appeared on stage in the shadow of a tall, blond handsome guy, but went solo; given that he wore that turkey-suit; and given that he wrote, and starred in, 1970s TV specials about what a shy person he was, there is room for speculation.

Simon described how he used to feel, watching from the wings while Art Garfunkel sang "Bridge Over Troubled Water" and brought down the house. "I used to think 'Author, author'," he said, quietly between gritted teeth, his face so eloquent of hollow pain and disgruntlement that it was fleetingly worthy of the great Les Dawson. The passage of 20 years had not healed this.

The second half of the programme dealt with the Zimbabwe *Graceland* concert and the South African visit, all of which felt like old news. "People say she's crazy, she's got diamonds on the soles of her shoes" — well it's great, yes, but at 11.45 on a Sunday night, it needs an angle.

The best moment of the final half-hour was a poignant and highly nostalgic rehearsal of Simon and Garfunkel (together again!) singing "Old Friends" from the *Bookends* album. What a knock-out. Time it was and what a time it was (sniff); plink plong pling. A time of innocence (sob); a time of confidences. (Choke.) Long ago, it must be, I have a photograph (sob): Preserve your memories (whimper), they're all that's left you.

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THE PERSIANS: Peter Sellars' production of the Aeschylus tragedy, a tricky text to bring to life but Sellars is a director who could manage it. Even now a relevant drama dealing with the fickleness of human fortune.
Royal Lyceum, Grindlay Street. Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 2.30pm. Festival box office: 031-225 5756.

I DUE FOSCARI: The first operatic offering of this year's Edinburgh Festival is a new Scottish Opera staging of Verdi's rousing Byronic drama: a murderous tale of love and revenge. Directed by Howard Davies, the production marks Richard Armstrong's first appearance in the pit as the company's musical director. Sung in Italian with English surtitles.
King's Theatre, 2 Leven Street, Edinburgh. Tonight, Wed, 7.30pm. Festival Box Office as before.

COSI FAN TUTTE: Sir Charles Mackerras conducts the Scottish Chamber Orchestra in this concert performance of Mozart's dark comedy. An outstanding cast includes Felicity Lott, Marie McLaughlin, Nuccia Focile, Jerry Hadley and Alessandro Corbelli.
Usher Hall, Clerk Street, Edinburgh. tonight, 7pm
Festival Box Office as before.

TODAY'S CHOICE

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Sara Yelland

EDINBURGH FRINGE

THE COMPLETE HISTORY OF AMERICA (Abridged): The Reduced Shakespeare Company squash transatlantic history into a capsule. Press release states "Warning: This show contains ballet."
Assembly Rooms George St (031 226 2428). Today, tomorrow, Thur, Sun, 4pm, and then most days, same time, for all 3 weeks.

SOD: Arthur Smith's latest, about gardening. Owen's dad suddenly buries himself in his vegetables.
Pleasance 2 The Pleasance (031 556 6550) From today, daily at 6.50pm for all 3 weeks

ZEL REBELS. Ellen Hulkower in her own sharply phrased recollections of a most peculiar childhood. **Randolph Studio**, Randolph Crescent (031 225 5366). From Mon, midnight, nightly for all 3 weeks.

DEATH IN VENICE. Red Shift Theatre Company presents the stage premiere of Thomas Mann's celebrated story of love, obsession and decay in Venice, where the lonely Aschenbach becomes infatuated with a beautiful boy. A quiet piece, but almost overwhelmingly intense, with some brilliant cinematic touches and clever staging.
Assembly Rooms, 54 George Street (031-226 2428) Today-Sept 4, 1.30pm (not Aug 23).

ELSEWHERE

LONDON: For this evening's Proms concert Franz Welser-Möst conducts the London Philharmonic in Bartók's Dance Suite, inspired by the vigorous rhythms of Central European folk-dance, and Brahms's energetic Symphony No 4 in E minor, which frame Dvořák's Violin Concerto in A minor (with Frank Peter Zimmermann as the soloist).
Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (071-589 8212). Tonight, 7.30pm.

BRIGHTON: Regency Opera presents a new production of Bizet's *Carmen* by Henk Schut. The passionate Spanish tale of seduction and jealousy is perhaps the best known of all popular operas, offering such well-known melodies as the Toreador's Song. Sung in French. Conducted by Simon Gray.
Theatre Royal, New Road (0273 328488) Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm.

☐ **THE BASSET TABLE**: Gambling, love and strange scientific experiments are the ingredients in this comedy by the 18th Century wit, Mrs Centlivre. Revived by Company of Clerks.
New End Theatre, 27 New End, NW3 (071-794 0022). Tue to Sat 8pm, mats Sun, 2pm, 5pm. Till August 29.

☐ **BEAUTIFUL THING**: Call-love on a South London estate, new play by award-winning Jonathan Harvey.
Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388). Mon to Sat 8pm. At least till August 28.

◩ **CITY OF ANGELS**: Top quality Larry Gelbart/Cy Coleman musical, packed with wit, set in L.A. and the world of the private eye movie.
Prince of Wales, Coventry Street, W1 (071-839 5972). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm 160mins

☐ **A CONNECTICUT YANKEE**: Ian Talbot revives the Rodgers/Hart musical based on Mark Twain. Witty lyrics, pretty songs.
Open Air Theatre, Regent's Park, NW1 (071-486 2431) Tonight, tomorrow, Wed, 8pm mat Wed, 2pm

◩ **CRAZY FOR YOU**: Thrillingly staged new version of the Gershwin musical *Girl Crazy*. Exceptional entertainment value
Prince Edward, Old Compton Street, W1 (071-734 8951). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 3pm 150mins

☐ **GODSPELL**: Candy-flavoured Christianity. The 1970s hit revived for a month, with Andy Crane, Gemma Craven.
Barbican Hall, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891) Tue to Sun 7.30pm plus a final performance Mon, Aug 30. 7.30pm Mats Sat 3pm. Till August 30.

☐ **GORMENGHAST**: The David Glass Ensemble in London again after another nation-wide tour with their thrilling, excellent version of Mervyn Peake's gothic trilogy
Lyric, King St, Hammersmith, W6 (081-741 2311). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mat Sat (Aug 21, 28), 2.30pm.

■ **GREASE**: Energetic, well-danced revival taking a nostalgic look at the innocent 1950s. Skimpy story of teenage love, but the tunes are catchy. Craig McLachlan stars in the lead role first played over here by Richard Gere.
Dominion, Tottenham Court Road, W1 (071-580 8845). Mon-Sat 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 3pm. 150mins

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ **House full, returns only**
◩ **Some seats available**
☐ **Seats at all prices**

☐ **MACBETH**. An idiosyncratic performance by Alan Howard in Richard Eyre's murky production. Last week.
National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight-Sat, 7.15pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2pm 140 mins.

■ **THE MADNESS OF GEORGE III**: Revival of Alan Bennett's clever history play. Nigel Hawthorne returns in the performance of his life.
National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, tomorrow, Wed, Thur, 7.30pm, mat Thur, 2.15pm

■ **THE ODYSSEY**: Ron Cook plays the traveller in Derek Walcott's mighty version of the old epic. Thrilling sound and spectacle.
The Pit, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, tomorrow, 7.15pm. 180mins

■ **OLEANNA**: David Suchet, Lia Williams in Mamet's blistering new play about political correctness in an American college: passionate argument, riveting drama. Last week.
Royal Court, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 1745). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. 130mins.

☐ **A PENNY FOR A SONG**. Return of last year's successful John Whiting comedy, set in a Dorset village at the time of Napoleon. Delightful summer wit and humour. Last week.
Orange Tree Theatre, 1 Clarence Street, Richmond (081-940 3633). Mon-Sat 7.45pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 4pm.

☐ **SEPARATE TABLES**: Peter Bowles, Patricia Hodge tap heart-felt emotions in Peter Hall's welcome revival of Rattigan.
Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm. 150mins.

■ **SWEENEY TODD**: Declan Donnellan's superb staging of Sondheim's subtle, savage musical. Alun Armstrong and Julia McKenzie play the leads.
National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, 7.30pm. 180mins.

☐ **THE WINTER'S TALE**: John Nettles, Samantha Bond and Richard McCabe in a sublimely moving production of Shakespeare's redemptive drama.
Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, tomorrow, 7.15pm. 180mins.

LONG RUNNERS: ☐ **Blood Brothers**: Phoenix (071-867 1044) ☐ **Buddy**: Victoria Palace (071-834 1317) ... ◩ **Cats**. New London (071-405 0072) ... ☐ **Don't Dress for Dinner**: Duchess (071-494 5070) ◩ **Five Guys Named Moe**: Lyric (071-494 5045) .. ◩ **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat**: Palladium (071-494 5037) ... ◩ **Les Misérables**. Palace (071-434 0909) ... ◩ **Miss Saigon**. Theatre Royal, Drury Lane (071-494 5400) ... ☐ **The Mousetrap**: St Martin's (071-836 1443) ... ☐ **On The Piste**: Garrick (071-494 5085) ■ **The Phantom of the Opera**: Her Majesty's (071-494 5400) ... ◩ **Starlight Express**: Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665) .. ☐ **Travels With My Aunt**: Whitehall (071-867 1119) ... ☐ **The Woman in Black**. Fortune (071-836 2238)

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NEW RELEASES

A FAR OFF PLACE (PG). Orphaned teenagers flee across the Kalahari desert. Acceptable old-fashioned entertainment. Mikael Salomon directs Reese Witherspoon, Ethan Randall
MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Odeon Swiss Cottage** (071-586 3057)

APRES L'AMOUR (15): French love tangles, carefully unravelled by director Diane Kurys and an excellent cast Isabelle Huppert, Hypolite Girardot, Bernard Giraudeau
Curzon Mayfair (071-499 3737)

IN COLD BLOOD (18). Handsome but ponderous 1967 version of Capote's book about crime and punishment. With Robert Blake, Scott Wilson Director, Richard Brooks.
ICA Cinema (071-930 3647)

MADE IN AMERICA (12). Doltish cross-cultural farce, made to measure for Whoopi Goldberg and Ted Danson Richard Benjamin directs.
MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) **MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-630 0310) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Whiteleys** (071-792 3303)

THE VANISHING (12). Forget Hollywood's remake: see this splendid Dutch version of George Sluizer's tale about the disappearing girlfriend. With Bernard-Pierre Donnadieu, Johanna ter Steege.

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

Metro (071-437 0757)

CURRENT

◆ **HOUSE OF ANGELS** (15). Liberated newcomers upset the calm of a Swedish village. This is a humane comedy from British-born director Colin Nutley. Starring Helena Bergström and Rikard Wolff.
Screen on Baker Street (071-935 2772).

◆ **JURASSIC PARK** (PG): Michael Crichton's best seller becomes a clumsy vehicle for rampaging dinos and superior special effects. Sam Neill, Laura Dern, Richard Attenborough. Director, Steven Spielberg.
Camden Parkway (071-267 7034) **Empire** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Trocadero** **Notting Hill Coronet** (071-727 6705) (071-434 0031) **Plaza** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **Screen on the Green** (071-226 3520) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

THE LAST BOLSHEVIK: Chris Marker's fascinating portrait of the life and times of Alexander Medvedkin, oddball Russian film director.
ICA (071-930 3647).

◆ **MAD DOG AND GLORY** (15): Gangster Bill Murray rewards forlorn drudge Robert De Niro by giving him Uma Thurman for a week. Bewitching off-beat comic romance; director, John McNaughton.
Empire (071-437 1234/497 9999) **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

MAP OF THE HUMAN HEART (15): A love triangle jumps across years, continents and cultures. Visually bracing but muddled drama from cinematic explorer Vincent Ward.
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THEATRE: Shakespeare back-to-back in Oxford; Thornton Wilder revived in Chichester

Parallels revealed with heavy hand

Pericles
The Comedy of Errors
Oxford Playhouse

A BIT of a smile, a bit of a tear: such was Dame Anna Neagle's recipe for a good night out. A similar concern for balance inspires John Retallack's choice of plays for the Oxford Stage Company's current tour. Not just any old comedy bracketed with any old tearjerker, however. These two exhibit several shared events and themes.

In the first play a husband and wife are parted by tempest and shipwreck; a father loses his daughter off the coast of Asia Minor but after many years and shifting fortunes the families are reunited in Ephesus, where the mother has become a nun. The improbable sequence of events suggests, though not very persuasively, a fairy-tale, so the piece is called a romance.

In the second play a husband and wife are parted, by tempest and shipwreck; a father loses his son — and the mother a second son, after which she becomes a nun — and the characters are in Ephesus throughout.

What happens to them there is comical, and so the piece is self-defined as a comedy. Parting, searching, the pain of separation and a happy reunion are elements common to both. But in *Pericles* it is fear of a paid assassin that sets the hero, and later his daughter Marina, off on their frantic travels this way and that across the Aegean. In *The Comedy* the travelling is all within one city, magical Ephesus — between market-place and inns that bear quaintly English names (Porpentine, Centaur) — and it is natural confusion not unnatural vice that pushes the plot forward.

Retallack lays a surprisingly heavy hand on the comic mishaps of the two Antipholuses and their Dromios. The play can generate gales of laughter when scenes are made to succeed each other swiftly and the nasty treatment meted out by masters towards their servants is leavened with some affection. But Retallack goes out of his way to emphasise physical abuse. Everyone hits the Dromios, pinches their ears, jabs fingers into their eyes. Adriana and Luciana are always slapping their fans upon some Dromio's pate. Laughs greet these antics from time to time but the more usual response is Dame Anna's "bit of a smile".

Julian McGowan's permanent set, an arcade of wooden posts around three sides of the stage, obviously suits the ins and outs of *The Comedy*, but dressing everyone in black does lower the spirits. Philip Bowen affects a pointlessly common accent for the local Antipholus and both Dromios whine — though Antony Howes is a worse offender than Clive Duncan.

Against expectation, the arcade set does not spoil the many marine adventures in *Pericles*. When the hero sets off on a voyage, which he is forever doing, fleeing from Antioch, sailing from Tyre, bringing his bride from Pentapolis, bearing corn to Tharsus, three actors hold staves around him, forming the prow of his boat and its mast. Breasting invisible waves, in calm weather that nearly always takes a turn for the worse, these introduced scenes are a vital element in what I suppose we have to regard as the hero's spiritual journey.

The play is infrequently performed, and will have the novelty interest of the unfamiliar, but where the best fairy-tales and romances provide their protagonists with an inner resource or accompanying guide that helps elevate them to mythic status, Pericles, his wife and daughter are parted by chance or whim and restored to each other by doing nothing. There's nothing inspiring in that.



Antony Howes, Clive Duncan and Philip Bowen in Oxford's *Comedy*

Bowen's Pericles, speaking sensibly this time, makes a sober prince, courteously patronising the working classes whom he meets on his walk-abouts, after the manner of princes. Pretty humourless, even prosaic, his various losses at sea spark poetry out of him and he speaks this well.

Catherine Prendergast's delicate Marina defends her virginity with an eloquence that shames pimps and converts lechers. She also sings with charm the songs which were written for this production by Karl James.

As in *The Comedy*, attempts at clownish humour give poor returns, but when the play calls on the gentler feelings of the father-daughter reunion, or the fabulous incident of Thaisa floating ashore in her coffin, the simple dignity of the playing is attractive and sufficient.

JEREMY KINGSTON



Lacking the expected energy and weight: Prunella Scales as Dolly

No incentive to say hello, Dolly

The Matchmaker
Chichester Festival

AND John Oxenford's *Day Well Spent* begat *Einen Jux Will Er Sich Machen*, by the 19th-century Austrian dramatist Johann Nestroy. And *Einen Jux* begat Thornton Wilder's farce, *The Matchmaker*. And Wilder's *Matchmaker* begat *Hello, Dolly!*, Carol Channing and all. And the begetting and begatting did not stop there, for *On the Razzle* also appeared a few years ago, the fruit of a playful coupling between Tom Stoppard and Nestroy.

There are two ways of looking at this dramatic hyperactivity: a) the tale of the oppressed clerk who finds liberation in the urban fleshpots has a universal pull; b) it is an awful lot of fuss to make about a not exactly unpredictable idea. I can just about imagine a revival of *The Matchmaker* that left me opting for the first alternative. But after seeing Patrick Mason's production at Chichester, the second seemed the more convincing. Insofar as it left me opting for anything, it was, I fear, the exit.

What went wrong? Why not more laughter at the opening performance? Maybe it was just one of those nights, and maybe others will be jollier. Or maybe Patrick Mason, who staged Brian Friel's *Dancing at Lughnasa* and is the director-designate of the Abbey Theatre in Dublin, is not the man for a frolic. Either way, the main problem is a want of comic tension, a lack of the feeling that even in a farce — no, especially in a farce — things can go embarrassingly, agonisingly askew.

Mason is perfectly faithful to a text which Wilder pretentiously claimed to be "about the aspirations of the young (and not only of the young) for a fuller, freer participation in life". Bashful Cornelius (Stephen Simms) and gormless Barnaby (Tam Williams) flee Yonkers and their despotic employer, an overblown Scrooge called Vandergelder (Frank Lazarus), for a day of illicit adventure in 19th-century New York: as Joe Vanek designs it, a stunted skyscraper and photos of shabby streets overlooking a tiny Statue of Liberty.

Once there, the boys spend much of their time dodging the fell Vandergelder: beneath a table, in a cupboard, behind a screen in a fancy restaurant. They also get to know Irene Molloy (Isla Blair), a widowed milliner who craves freedom and fun too. And so to an ending in which everybody's knots untie themselves, thanks to a highly improbable change of heart on the tyrant's part and the contrivances of the character whom Wilder added to Nestroy, Dolly Levi.

Here, maybe, is another clue to the trouble. Several performers lack quite the energy they need, but none more than Prunella Scales, who is Dolly, the "matchmaker" of the title. The joke is that, while appearing to find Vandergelder a younger woman, she slyly browbeats him into marriage with herself. Perhaps I am too influenced by childhood memories of Ruth Gordon, who created the role, and the knowledge that Carol Channing and Ethel Merman played it in the musical; but this Dolly seems too much the canny, cadging businesswoman, too little the majestic Mrs Fixit that Wilder seems to have wanted. If you'll forgive the pun, Scales lacks weight; the result is too mild and muted a *Matchmaker*.

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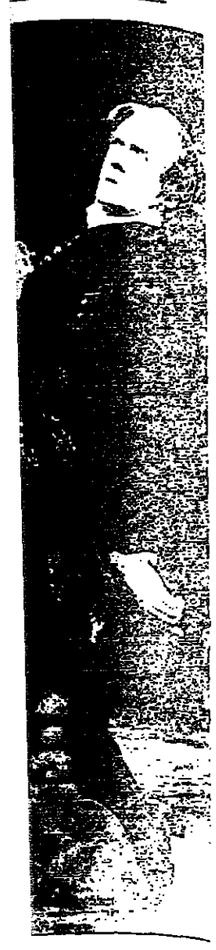
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Ted Hughes has written outstanding books for children, but his latest ecological fantasy is too didactic, says **Brian Alderson**

Myth with metal fatigue

When Ted Hughes's mythic fable *The Iron Man* was published in 1968, joy among the children's book *literati* was unconfined. For although Hughes had already written two books for children — the facetious verses of *Meet my Folks!* and the little creation-stories of *How the Whale Became* — the new book was altogether more ambitious. What looked at first like a rather eccentric science fiction was converted into a cosmic morality. Metal-chomping Iron Man saves world from evil Space-Bat-Angel-Dragon. Star wars give way to the music of the spheres.

In the general euphoria, nobody seemed to worry about the broken-backed nature of the story — its wonderfully expressive, mysterious beginning or its crude, manipulated end. Now though, with the arrival of its sequel, *The Iron Woman*, Hughes's lurch towards didacticism can be seen as a horrid portent.

The Iron Woman is a tale about pollution, which plays the role in today's children's literature that the Demon Drink did a hundred years ago. A Waste Factory — symbolic of greed and mess — is maiming and killing the local wildlife. The Iron Woman arises from her marshy home to destroy the offence and, by various enchantments, succeeds. People are turned into contagious "high voltage scream batteries", passing on to each other the sound of animal suffering, and the male waste-operatives are suddenly transformed into aquatic creatures, getting a taste of their own polluted water.

THE IRON WOMAN
By Ted Hughes
Illustrated by Andrew Davidson
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For her agent in all this, the Iron Woman chooses a schoolgirl, Lucy. She enlists support from Hogarth, the boy-hero of *The Iron Man*, and he reintroduces us to his ferrous friend along with the reformed space-bat-angel-dragon. (This clumsy piece of plotting serves to raise doubts about the point of having an Iron Woman at all, and provokes the unworthy thought that the whole exercise is an attempt to placate feminist members of the Green Party.)

Force majeure applied by these Iron People induces several narrative cop-outs and the book finishes not with any rational solution to the problem of waste disposal but with idealised fantasy. Some of its weirder moments may have been intended as either farce or satire, but the author's obsession with his Grand Purpose robs the tract of even that mitigating excuse.

All of which is a pity. For Ted Hughes has already shown himself to be an invigorating presence on the stage where children meet literature. His collection of broadcast talks, *Poetry in the Making*, and the anthology, *The Rattle Bag*, that he compiled with Seamus Heaney are masterly. That early book *How the Whale Became*, and its later companion *Tales of the Early World*, are strung gems of storytelling. The animals there, so intensely observed, engender sympathy, understanding and laughter, whereas in *The Iron Woman* their candid spirits are swamped by all the hysteria.



Waste-operatives get a taste of their own polluted water

Painting angels from life

David Ekserdjian on the all-too-human friar who proved one of the great religious artists of the Renaissance

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By Jeffrey Ruda
Phaidon, £95

Jeffrey Ruda wrote a doctoral thesis on Fra Filippo a decade or so ago, but he has come a long way since then. Unfortunate errors have been scrupulously corrected, and he has radically rethought his understanding of the artist's early career, which used to involve rejecting all the works prior to the extraordinary *Tarquinia Madonna*, which is dated 1437, when Fra Filippo was over thirty. That meant imagining an artist none of whose juvenilia had survived. The new dispensation is more reasonable-minded, but this remains the most difficult phase of Fra Filippo's career from the point of view of connoisseurship. As with so many artists, so with Fra Filippo it is hard to distinguish between the weaknesses of the novice and the ineptitudes of imitators.

The *Tarquinia Madonna* shows the Virgin and Child enthroned in the usual manner, but they are not seen against a conventional gold background. Instead they are set in a domestic interior without precedent in an Italian painting of this type. Nor is this the only occasion on which Fra Filippo was to prove innovative in terms of iconography: in a series of altar-pieces, one of them for the chapel of the Medici Palace, he gradually transformed the time-honoured subject of the Christ child worshipped by Mary and Joseph at the Nativity into a timeless Adoration of the child, in which the Virgin kneels in prayer before her Son in a landscape. It was to prove a particularly enduring invention.

For the rest, once he gets into his stride he is unmissably distinctive, and without question one of the great religious artists of the century. He foreshadows all the sweetness teetering on the brink of sentimentality of Botticelli (who — with his son, Filippino — was his star pupil), but allies it to a robust sense of humour that is most manifest in his portrayal of children. While some of his babies are the little darlings one would expect, others are real football-faced plug-uglies. Similarly, many of his angels pull faces, like bored children being asked to pose for the camera.

His gifts as a story-teller and observer of character were only given full rein, however, in his remarkable frescoes in the choir chapel of the cathedral at Prato. It takes less than half an hour to get to Prato by train from Florence, but one cannot help suspecting that this decorative cycle would be much more celebrated if it had been painted for the big city.

As it is, the pilgrimage is well worth making: behind the green-and-white banded façade adorned with a Donatello pulpit, Fra Filippo is at his most inspired. A feaster toys nervously with a nut as Salome enacts her fateful dance. More dramatically, Fra Filippo plays tricks round the corners of the chapel, with the severed head of the Baptist being grasped by his executioner across the divide, and stones flying through the void to martyr Saint Stephen. The idea proved too daring for most subsequent painters.

Ruda is a generally convincing guide. If to my mind he is over-generous in attributing works to Fra Filippo, then it has to be admitted that he is more in line with current thinking than I am. His book has the merit of trying to place the artist in a wider context. He is willing to discuss just what the relationship between religious texts and images involved, and to wonder what different kinds of spectators made of pictures. One does not have to agree with all of his conclusions to find it rewarding to be reminded that there is more to art, and to art history, than one damn thing after another.



Sweetness combined with a robust sense of humour: a Virgin and Child by Fra Filippo Lippi

Neurotic women and crazy men

Lois Rathbone

PECULIAR POLITICS
By Katia Spiegelman
Marion Boyars, £13.95

MUSIC FOR GLASS ORCHESTRA
By Grace Andreacchi
Serpent's Tail, £8.99 pbk original

NIGHT PEOPLE
By Barry Gifford
Flamingo, £5.99 pbk original

Katia Spiegelman's second novel takes an undemanding look at the twisted love life of four New York intellectuals — what we might once innocently have called Woody Allen types.

Two modern-day Annie Halls — an academic and a publisher — are involved with two men who refuse to settle down. The academic is researching a thesis on 18th-century literature, the contents of which serve to illustrate that nothing changes: sex is used by both women — financially secure though they are — as a means to ensnare their men in wedlock.

In other respects her heroines' neuroses, fuelled by the pages of *Cosmopolitan*, are all too contemporary: Aids, the biological clock, the dangers of sunbathing and drinking while pregnant. The men have all read *Iron John*, and despite their political correctness, behave as badly as ever. Fortunately, Spiegelman has no axe to grind, and produces some memorably funny scenes and comic types — a fatherly transexual and his team of cross-dressers are particularly satisfying — though the ridiculously happy ending may be too much for some.

Music for Glass Orchestra is a less robust piece written in the sort of heavily experimental style that throws in, as from nowhere, snippets of poetry, dream sequences and whole paragraphs without punctuation. Writing about an American in Paris in a surrealistic manner, Andreacchi is, the publisher tells us, something of a modern-day Djuna Barnes. But where Barnes knew when to rein herself in, Andreacchi flits dizzyingly between gritty realism, heady surrealism and unconnected treatises on church architecture and classical music.

Despite this, her tale is oddly compulsive. Fleeing from the suburbs of Boston for Paris in the summer of 1989, our nameless heroine finds herself caught up in the anniversary celebrations for the storming of the Bastille. She rents a crumbling, rococo appartment, and takes as a lover, the equally hypersensitive Stéphane, a concert violinist. Their sex scenes, which crop up with great frequency, are oddly mechanical, and Andreacchi's reliance on "shocking" language tends to make them more amusing than erotic.

The surrealistic element includes a cast of savage birds and wolves hovering in the background which pick off unsuspecting tramps napping in the city parks. There are also encounters with Dracula in Venice and with Mahler in a supermarket in New Hampshire, and long-winded dissertations on classical music. None of this is as good as the constantly interrupted and relatively straightforward accounts of the girl's relationships, both with the self-doubting Stéphane, and with her appallingly conventional husband.

One of Barry Gifford's previous novels, *Wild at Heart*, has recently been made into a film, and the writer is now being billed as something of a successor to Jack Kerouac. His *Night People* is constructed in the fashion of Schnitzler's *La Ronde* — each story containing a marginal character who becomes central to the next one — and takes for its theme the motives behind apparently senseless violence in modern America. Two lesbians — recently released from prison — kidnap, torture and behead a series of men; a female backstreet abortionist shoots three men in a barber shop; a 14-year-old girl shoots a would-be rapist.

This horrific vision is worryingly played down by Gifford as a realistic account of life in the deep South: shops, streets and bars are meticulously named and the southern accent rendered faithfully (a long passage of technical advice from a gunsmith to an assassin — "Manwill an faw triggaz full adjustbill faw totness, travel an faw mumba shots furn de powuh sauce . . ." — may have overeached itself). The gruesome details are told in a matter-of-fact, almost droll voice, and even more disturbingly, most of the violence stems from demented women.

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Wolfe in stylish clothing

CRIME



Sarah Dunant: adept at mixing action and ideas

It starts off as a simple assignment for private eye Hannah Wolfe, chaperoning a spoilt teenage brat on her birthday treat when her scientist father is too busy to come. The day ends in an explosive death, and papa's tests-on-animals research appears relevant. The theme of **Fatlands** (*Hamish Hamilton, £14.99*) is animal rights versus human rights, and Sarah Dunant is deft at integrating the ideas — of which she is not short — with action and mystery, which is pacy and top-class. It is, though, style which carries *Fatlands* so far above most other current crime novels. Wolfe's first-person narration, a mix of hard-boiled shamus, self-deprecating insecurity, feminist waspishness, and just plain laugh-aloud humour, is brilliant. Hannah Wolfe is no longer a very promising heroine; in only her second appearance, she's up there with them.

Minette Walter's **The Sculptress** (*Macmillan, £14.99*) is another gratifyingly superior second novel, all the more commendable for being in different vein from the first. The woman called "the sculptress" is fat, dirty, repulsive Olive Martin, jailed for 25 years for the bludgeoning and subsequent dismemberment of her mother and sister. Journalist Roz Leigh, commissioned to write a book about Martin, reluctantly starts believing in her subject's innocence and is sucked into a self-destructive enquiry into Martin's sad, horrifying past. The story loses its way a little towards the end, but Walters is undoubtedly a quirky, powerful and unusual talent.

Patricia Cornwell is a virtuoso of the morgue and the post-mortem. In **Cruel and Unusual** (*Little Brown, £14.99*), her heroine Dr Kay Scarpata, chief medical officer or Richmond, Virginia, finds evidence which seems to prove that a recently executed killer had also committed a depraved murder at a time when he was definitely in jail. Scarpata's enquiries lead her into personal crisis, emotional as well as career. The intriguing solution, with its neat computer-data sub-plot, is matched by Cornwell's usual excellent characterisation, extending to the most minor cop or low-life. There is perhaps too much about the insides of dead people, but it is worth that occasional discomfort.

Death among the Dons by Janet Neel (*Constable, £14.99*) inevitably evokes echoes of Dorothy Sayers's *Gaudy Night*. It takes place in an all-women's college, there is a lot of college politics, and the plight of clever academic women is dwelt on. The similarity ends there. Janet Neel provides some thoroughly modern murders, a constant undercurrent of sexuality and as convincing a portrait of a fading, bickering, envy-ridden, financially awry institution as post-Thatcherite Britain can provide. Neel's mastery of boardroom skulduggery is as effective in academe as it has been in business.

Michael Dibdin's **The Dying of the Light** (*Faber, £9.99*) is a wonderfully clever, witty and courageous work, attempting (and succeeding) to write a pastiche Agatha Christie which convinces as a mystery in its own right (as very few Christies did). There is poisoning at Eventide Lodge, a final rest-home for the elderly and slightly dotty; a bemused Inspector Jarvis investigates gingerly among the residents, trying to separate truth from senile fantasies. Dibden's versatility seems to know no bounds.

The always reliable Robert Richardson enters new territory in his latest. Like Dibdin, he too has tried a dangerous variation on a theme by Christie; happily, it works admirably. **The Hand of Strange Children** (*Gollancz, £14.99*) presents the traditional who-dunit-cliché setting of a family Christmas house-party, complete with a selection of dark secrets and grudge-bearing guests. Corpses ensue. Richardson's sleight of hand is so professional that the reader does not know who has died. Entertaining, unusual, and packed with good writing.

Steve Martini's **Prime Witness** (*Headline, £16.99*) is, as its title suggests, one of those American Son-of-Presumed-Innocent courtroom dramas, though it is one of the better examples of an over-populated genre. Prosecutor Paul Mandriani, faced with three similar couple-killings, concludes that one of them is a copy-cat; but public opinion demands that the same murderer did them all — otherwise it would mean a killer still at large. Nice insider touches, and a hard-punching climax.

MARCEL BERLINS

PAPERBACKS

THE MEN AND THE GIRLS
By Joanna Trollope
Black Swan, £5.99
WRITTEN with Trollope's usual sympathetic tact, this novel puts parallel relationships under the microscope. Both Julia and Kate are in their 30s and living, apparently happy ever after, with older men. But tensions begin to emerge. Julia's outwardly perfect life — beautiful house, adorable children, stimulating job — runs into trouble when her TV-personality husband finds his career coming to an abrupt end. Kate who has been living with James, a retired teacher, for eight years, begins to feel trapped and leaves, but finds it hard to cope with her teenage daughter's unexpected reaction. Trollope's observant compassion makes one care what happens to her characters.

JUST THE ONE:
The Wives and Times of Jeffrey Bernard
By Graham Lord
Headline, £6.99
IN 1986, faced with a final tax demand for £2,000, Jeff Bernard paid it with a four-horse combination win at Pontefract, asking his bookie to write the cheque to the Inland Revenue "to show them it didn't come from hard labour". You can't help admiring the spirit, though the *Spectator* Low Life columnist, known to some as the Prophet of Loss, has drunk, sponged and complained his way through his sixty-odd years leaving a trail of bad debts and distraught ex-wives behind him. Reading his life story is like suffering a prolonged hangover. But who could resist a man who once wrote in a piece about cookery: "If you haven't any salt, tears make a splendid substitute"?

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ITALIAN MOTOR INDUSTRY

Italy has yet to feel the full impact of recession — and is riven by political scandal. **Paul Bompard** examines its largest manufacturer

Fiat, industrial heartbeat of the Italian economy

The industrial revolution came late for Italy. When it did come, it coincided almost exactly with the development of the motor car. The car industry immediately became both the backbone and the symbol of Italian industry.

Today, after the demise of many now-forgotten car-makers and the takeover by Fiat of Lancia, Alfa Romeo, Ferrari and, only this year, Maserati, the Fiat group is the only large car-maker in Italy. It is also the largest private industrial group in the country, whose interests extend far beyond car-making to such areas as civil engineering, defence and robotics.

There are a few specialist sports car producers who are independent of Fiat. These are in many ways important, fascinating for some, and of great interest in terms of technology and research. But their economic weight is negligible.

More important is the thriving two-wheel industry, which makes mopeds, scooters and motorcycles. But while it is the largest in Europe, and the biggest in the world outside Japan, it is still relatively small compared with the car industry. And that, in Italy, means Fiat.

Italian politicians and public opinion in general have long accepted the principle that the fortunes of Fiat and of the Italian economy as a whole are firmly linked.

Today Italy is suffering from the general economic recession. But it also has its own peculiar political difficulties, and has seen its international image tarnished by a year and a half of corruption scandals involving virtually the whole political and economic establishment. In the background are such organisations as the Sicilian Mafia and the Camorra, its Neapolitan counterpart.

In this situation Fiat inevitably reflects the national malaise. Car sales in Italy fell by 28.7 per cent in June, compared with June 1992, which was greater than the average European drop of 18.8 per cent. The recession has been felt later in Italy than in most of Europe, thanks to economic buffers like the high proportion of state employment, untouchable salaries, the virtual impossibility of sacking employees, and the Cassa Integrazione, a state fund which guarantees almost full income to employees who are made redundant.

> The fortunes of Fiat and of the Italian economy are firmly linked

Italians were still enjoying high levels of consumption in 1991 and for much of 1992, after other countries, notably Britain, had learnt to live with tightened belts for some time. For Italy, the recession only began to bite painfully in 1993.

Yet although Fiat's production and sales have dropped substantially, and the group has lost some of its share of the international car market, the current situation is not as serious as many analysts forecast a year ago. In 1992 Fiat Auto, the part of the Fiat group engaged in car production, which accounts for about half of its manpower and resources, just managed to stay out of the red.

It showed a tiny profit of 16 billion lire (£7 million) on sales of 27,446 billion lire (£12 billion), and sold almost 1,960,000 cars. This compared with profits of 415 billion lire (£180 million) on sales worth 27,500 billion lire (£12 billion) in 1991, when Fiat Auto sold 2,060,000 cars.

The worst, however, is yet to come. This year there will be an unprecedentedly heavy fall in sales, and everyone agrees that a recovery will not be felt before late 1994 at the earliest. Among the many firms in Piedmont that supply products to the various Fiat plants concentrated in the region, an estimated 13,000 jobs have already been lost.

But at Fiat's Turin headquarters it is possible to feel a cautious optimism which is only in part an expression of the official corporate mood policy. The company has a complete new range of models ready or being developed for 1994, 1995 and 1996, when it is hoped the recovery will be in full swing. Fiat's investment programme for its new models will cost over 16,000 billion lire (£7 billion) in 1992-1993, a huge figure which is something of a gamble.

Fiat cannot, however, count on the competition twiddling its thumbs in the meantime, and the picture up until now is fairly bleak. On the domestic market, Fiat's share has fallen from over 60 per cent ten years ago to 45.1 per cent today. Sales of Alfa Romeo and Lancia have also dropped. This is a reflection, perhaps, of a trend towards cheaper cars in a time of economic restraint.

In Europe as a whole, the Fiat group accounts only for about 12 per cent of demand, compared with almost 15 per cent only four or five years ago, when it almost overtook the Volkswagen group as Europe's largest car-maker.

During the past year there have been thousands of temporary layoffs among Fiat's 125,378 car-workers. This has been fairly painless so far, thanks to the Italian system by which the state pays almost the full salaries of employees during the layoff period. But the cost to the taxpayer is enormous and completely unproductive, and the spectre of large-scale dismissals is looming.

Fiat has also been involved in the corruption scandals which have ravaged Italy for the past year and a half. Several senior Fiat executives were arrested and detained until they spilled the beans on the payoffs they had made to politicians.

It is now clear, however, that payoffs had become an integral part of the Italian economic-political scene, and that if Fiat sinned, so did everyone else. Gianni Agnelli, chairman of Fiat, has made clear his view that the politicians who imposed the system are more to blame than his executives, who were virtually obliged to pay. He has also emphasised that the cases of corruption affecting companies in the group had nothing to do with car production.

Signor Agnelli has said he will stay on as chairman of the group until June 1994, when his younger brother, Umberto, will take over for a period until the long-term succession to the throne of Italy's biggest private group is established.

If Fiat is the only full-scale car-maker in Italy, however, there are hundreds of independent firms, mostly medium-sized or small, that are involved in producing finished or unfinished components for car production, or accessories and pattern spare parts for the motorist. Many of these products are exported.

The best-known is Pirelli, the big tyre-maker. But there are others that make alloy wheels, upholstery, pistons, exhaust systems, carburettors and fuel injection systems, for instance. This is the kind of firm which traditionally has been one of the strengths of the Italian economy.

Like Fiat, these firms have enjoyed the boost to their exports of last year's devaluation of the lira. But the recession has been a process of natural selection, finishing off some companies that were uncompetitive and already in difficulties, while allowing others to survive or even prosper. A typical success story is Brembo, a low-profile but booming producer of disc-brake systems which exports to countries all over the world, including Japan.

The next year or two will be the worst period that the Italian motor industry has ever faced. The economic recession is a problem common to virtually the entire industrialised world, and it is not yet clear how bad things will get for Italy before they start improving. And thanks to the ever-increasing integration of markets in Europe and the world, competition has become fiercer than ever.

The concept of "foreign cars" is an anachronism which belongs to the days when imported cars were genuinely strange: British cars had big, slow-revving engines and alien nuts and bolts measured in, say, 7/32 of an inch, German cars were more expensive than the Italian equivalents, and foreign spare parts were expensive and often hard to obtain.

As the British motor industry discovered in the 1960s, and as Fiat has found out more recently, a country's car-makers can no longer rely complacently on a "tame" domestic market which will uncomplainingly and faithfully buy its products.

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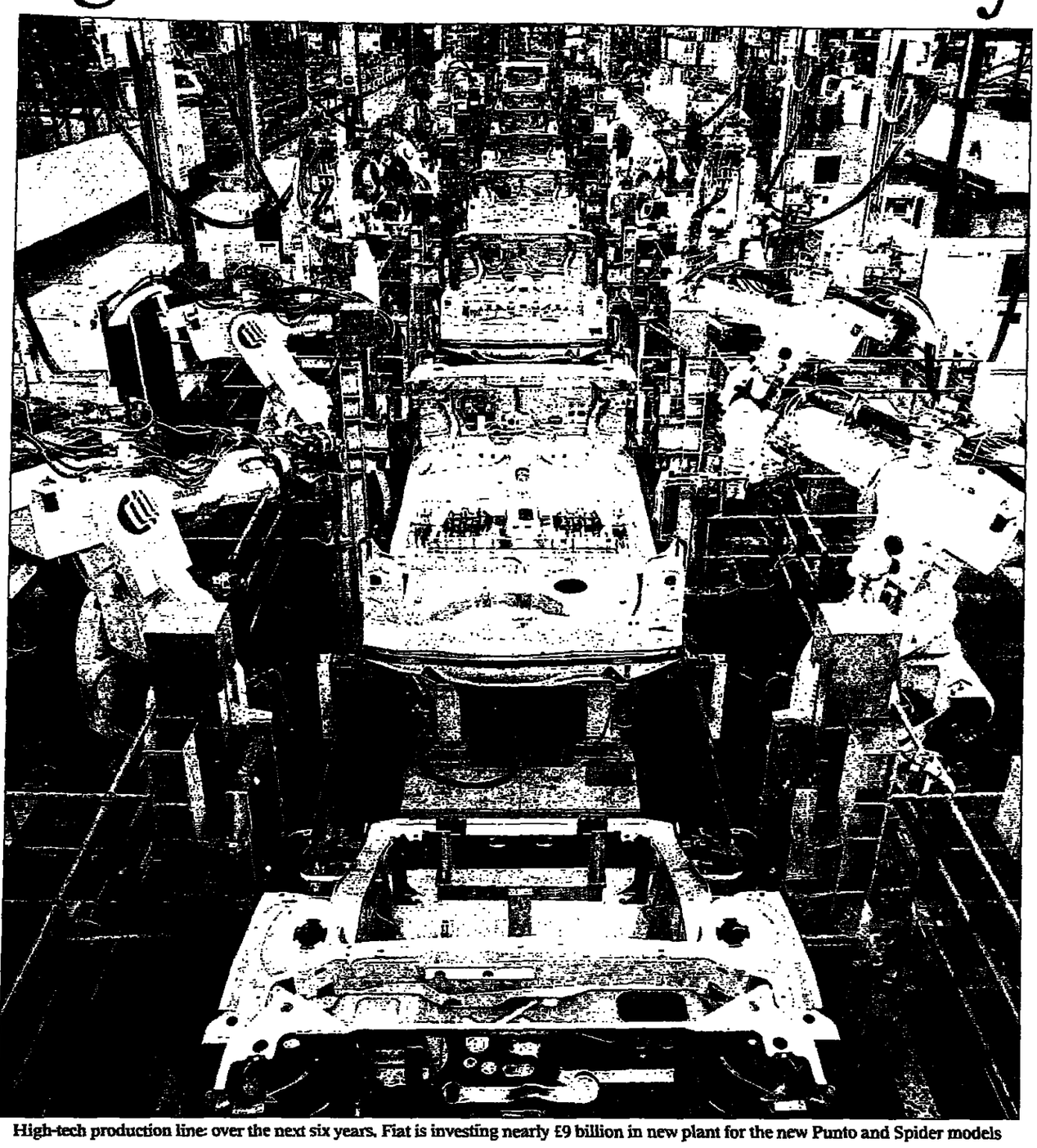
Polished product: finishing touches are put to a luxury car at the Ferrari plant at Maranello, in Modena. Ferrari is owned by Fiat



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Driving into the 21st century

Philip Willan on the heavy investment and developments at Fiat for a fleet of new cars ready for the next decade



High-tech production line: over the next six years, Fiat is investing nearly £9 billion in new plant for the new Punto and Spider models

Things have not been easy of late for Fiat Auto, the group's car division. The company has responded with a heavy investment programme and believes it is in a strong position to take advantage of the first signs of economic recovery in Europe.

The worst may be over. In June, Fiat's share of the Italian market recovered to 45.1 per cent, and in the first six months of the year its share of the European market rose to about 12 per cent, putting it into third place behind Volkswagen and General Motors.

Fiat has plans to invest about 40,000 billion lire (£17 billion) by 1999. Of this, more than half will go on manufacturing investment, on new plants and the enlarging and re-tooling of existing facilities. A further £5.5 billion will be spent on research and development, while £1.3 billion will go on projects involving countries such as Poland, Turkey and Algeria. The remainder will be devoted to improving the company's international dealership network.

The result will be to give Fiat 18 new models in the four years up to 1996. These include the Fiat 500, manufactured at the company's FSM plant in Poland, and the Alfa Romeo 155, both of which were launched last year.

This year there will be a new Lancia Delta, the Fiat Punto, a successor to the popular Uno model, and a Fiat Spider. "By 1996 Fiat's oldest models will date from 1992," a company spokesman says.

The Punto, which will be produced at the high-technology plant at Melfi, in southern Italy, is vital for Fiat's survival. It will be officially launched in Turin at the end of this month, and is due to go on sale in the autumn. The vehicle will be available in a 30-version range with five different engines.

Uniquely for a sub-compact car, it will also be available with six gears, for better fuel consumption in city driving. The Punto will have to be good because it will compete head-to-head with Japanese manufacturers in the highly competitive small car market.

Market analysts are showing increasing optimism about the prospects for Fiat. A study commissioned by the company from Carlo Guerci, the economics professor at Genoa University, concluded that changes introduced in its approach to suppliers, to planning and to the production process had put it on the same level of efficiency as the Japanese, and ahead of most of its European competitors.

The study warned, however: "The completion on time and without hitches of the new investments in the south is an essential condition for Fiat to meet the challenge of the next few years."

Paul Dionne, an analyst at Pasfin Securities in Milan, is also bullish. "Fiat's aggressive investment policy has been linear and continues to be so despite the volatility of sales," he says. He adds that the group has leapt ahead of its German rivals: "Melfi is one of the most innovative and high-tech plants in the world. The Fiat management is a little more light-footed, and should come out on the winning side of a possible car sales bloodbath, especially if the economy doesn't turn up."

Mr Dionne says that the market is expecting a significant announcement from Fiat, possibly of a link-up with Renault, the French manufacturer. "There has got to be an answer to the industrial Darwinism that has been affecting European car manufacturers," he says.

Fiat is determined to preserve the separate identity of marques such as Alfa and Lancia — stressing Alfa's sporty image and Lancia's reputation for comfort and luxury — while taking maximum advantage of possible overlapping within the group.

The two brands have separate styling centres, and dealers will not be allowed to represent both. Behind the scenes, however, there will be a sharing of components, technologies, suppliers and logistics centres in order to obtain economies in ways not evident to the customer.

Fiat is planning to expand its operations in eastern Europe, despite the political chaos in the region.

After initial disruption, caused by an eight-week strike, its Polish plant is now operating satisfactorily. Elsewhere, things are proving more difficult. A car plant in Serbia, in which Fiat has a minority share, has been damaged by the war and is out of production.

Fiat is also interested in taking a 30 per cent stake in Vaz, the Russian carmaker, but the project is in limbo because of political and economic uncertainties. For one thing, a spokesman said, no one knows whether the company will have to pay tax and duties on supplies imported from other countries of the former Soviet Union.

Fiat's immediate aim is to strengthen its presence throughout Europe and the Middle East. "At present we consider western Europe to be Fiat Auto's domestic market," the spokesman says.

"In the second half of the 1990s that will expand to include eastern Europe and the countries of the Mediterranean basin as well." Analysts believe the company is well placed to succeed with these ambitious plans.

Iveco aims to buck a trend

New thinking bears fruit in the tough industrial vehicles market

Iveco, Fiat's commercial and industrial vehicle manufacturer, is facing an exceptionally difficult period, but is reacting with "the biggest and most ambitious investment made in renewing and re-aligning the truck line-up", says Giancarlo Boschetti, its chief executive officer.

Challenging a market in crisis, the company completely replaced its full range of vehicles, from six to 85 tonnes, between May 1991 and May 1993.

The market reached an all-time high in 1989, when 512,000 commercial vehicles were sold in Europe, including 185,000 heavy vehicles, but last year registrations numbered a mere 435,000. This year, Iveco forecasts a further contraction of up to 20 per cent, although it hopes for a modest recovery towards the end of the year.

Iveco has 20.7 per cent of the European commercial and industrial vehicles market, according to figures for the first quarter of this year. It holds second place overall in Europe, after Mercedes Benz. Iveco is first among light vehicles, second in the medium range, and third for heavy vehicles, while in Britain it is No 1.

> Sales staff create a vehicle with the customer

The shrinking market has brought a shrinking number of truck manufacturers too: down from 53 in Europe in 1970 to 17 in 1980 and now ten. It also meant a loss of 122 billion lire (£54.2 million) for Iveco last year.

Long-term prospects are good, however. It is estimated that goods transported by road in the EC plus Switzerland and Austria will increase from 8.6 billion tonnes in 1989 to 16.5 billion in 2010.

Iveco's new range of vehicles has been designed under the umbrella title of the Euro Project, a name designed to reflect the opening of the European Community's single market. Euro Project is the result of 8.2 million hours of work spent designing five basic sub-assemblies: cabs, engines, gearboxes, axles and chassis. It offers 4,000 basic vehicles, using 8,000 modular components, the idea being that each haulier can virtually invent a truck to fit his own requirements. As Signor Boschetti said at a recent meeting in Turin, the salesman no longer shows the customer a vehicle or catalogue, but has to find out what the customer wants and then creates the vehicle with him.

The vehicles are developed from four basic models: the light-medium EuroCargo; the heavy EuroTech, for regional deliveries; the EuroStar, the heavy flagship of the range, for long-distance road deliveries; and the EuroTrakker, for heavy off-road duty, such as quarry and construction work.

There is also a bus, the EuroClass. Iveco signed an agreement in May with a German manufacturer, Karl Kassboehrer of Ulm, to develop a bus for town services. They should be on the market in 1995. With a workforce of 37,000, Iveco has been formed around Fiat's industrial vehicles division by a series of mergers and takeovers since the 1970s, including the British company, Seddon Atkinson. It has factories in Italy, Germany, Spain, France and Britain (at Langley, near Heathrow airport, where it makes the established range of Cargos and Supercargos), as well as in India, China and South Korea.

Fiat also has an agricultural vehicle manufacturer, New Holland, formed in May 1991. A choice had to be made, the company says, between remaining a midget or becoming one of the three world players. New Holland is now neck-and-neck with John Deere and ahead of Massey-Ferguson.

Registered in The Netherlands and operating out of London, New Holland makes farm and industrial tractors, combines, hay and forage harvesters, grape-harvesting machines and earth-moving machinery. It employs 19,600 worldwide, and has factories in Italy, Britain, Belgium, France, Canada, America and Brazil, as well as joint ventures in Mexico, Turkey, India, Pakistan and Japan. One of its three main farm tractor plants is at Basildon, in Essex.

JOHN EARLE

Agnelli's departure raises questions about the company's long-term future

Fiat faces drastic change

Although there has been ample warning, the retirement next year of Gianni Agnelli, the Fiat chairman for 27 years, will still leave Italians with a sense of shock and loss.

In his time at the helm of Fiat SpA, Italy's largest private company, Agnelli has become one of the most influential people in the country. It is hard to believe that Signor Agnelli, until the age of 45 when he took on the chair, was Italy's best known playboy, more at home in a nightclub than a boardroom.

Yet he took his job very seriously and within a short time became known as *l'avvocato* (the lawyer) or *il re* (the king), with the ear of politicians and his speeches guaranteed a spot on television news. He had a spell heading Confindustria, the Italian CBI, and is now a life senator.

Sr Agnelli's skill has been in maintaining Fiat's strengths, delegating day-to-day management of the more than 1,000 companies in the group, and acting as a strategist and ambassador for his empire.

Next year will be one of drastic change for Fiat. Sr Agnelli's right-hand man, Cesare Romiti, the Fiat managing director, also plans to leave in the middle of next year.

While no replacement has been named for Sr Romiti, Sr Agnelli's younger brother Umberto, 58, will take over as the Fiat chairman. Despite this, Umberto will have no chance of becoming head of the clan. Gianni Agnelli plans to remain in charge of the family holding company that has ultimate control of the auto-maker and Fiat's myriad other interests, from newspapers to munitions to the Juventus football team.

The holding company, a "family safe" form of limited partnership, was set up in 1987 to strengthen personal and family control of the group, bringing together 76 per cent of Agnelli family holdings.

Finding a successor for Gianni Agnelli is a long-standing problem, particularly as his own restless son, Edoardo, has shown more interest in eastern religions than in cars.

Umberto is expected to spend the next few years keeping the chair warm for his own son, Giovanni, considered the most able member of the Agnelli younger generation. An excellent skier, golfer and a fan of Lord Byron, Giovanni, 29, who shares his uncle's habit of rising at dawn, became in February chairman of Piaggio, Europe's biggest producer of mopeds and scooters. It was an apt appointment. Giovanni's mother is the heir of Rinaldo Piaggio who in 1884 founded the company which became world famous for its Vespa scooters.

Six months of Giovanni Agnelli's training was spent on a production line at a Fiat plant, working under a pseudonym. He is also widely travelled in Asia, considered an important future market.

In 1986, Edoardo Agnelli, then 32, caused a storm by attacking those who said his private pursuits showed he was uninterested in business. He declared himself ready to assume his responsibilities at Fiat. Three weeks later Sr Romiti declared that Edoardo had "no role in any part of Fiat, not on the board of directors or anywhere else".

Insiders say that Sr Agnelli is disappointed to be leaving the chairmanship at such an awkward time for the company, which has been suffering falling car sales at home and abroad and a gradual erosion of its share of the domestic market. It has also found itself tainted by Italy's corruption scandal.

Sr Romiti is on the official investigation list of the Milan magistrates leading the 18-month-old "clean hands" enquiry into political bribery. Several other Fiat executives have come under investigation. Fiat reacted by agreeing to co-operate with enquiries and by issuing a code of practice for all its workers, of the sort often found in American companies.

At the last annual meeting, Sr Agnelli admitted that Fiat had paid 50 billion lire in bribes to politicians, but he said he personally did not know it was happening. He said the amounts were so small — Fiat's annual turnover is about 60 trillion lire — there was no reason for him to be informed.

Given Fiat's operational difficulties, Sr Agnelli has said certain "non-strategic" but profit-making holdings, such as the Rinascente retail group or the Toro insurance company, could be sold. The company aims to raise two to three trillion lire from such sales this year.

To add to the air of uncertainty, there has been insistent speculation that Fiat wants a foreign partnership for its recession-hit car business. Repeated denials by Fiat officials have failed to stop rumours of an imminent alliance with either a Japanese company, or with the French firm Renault.

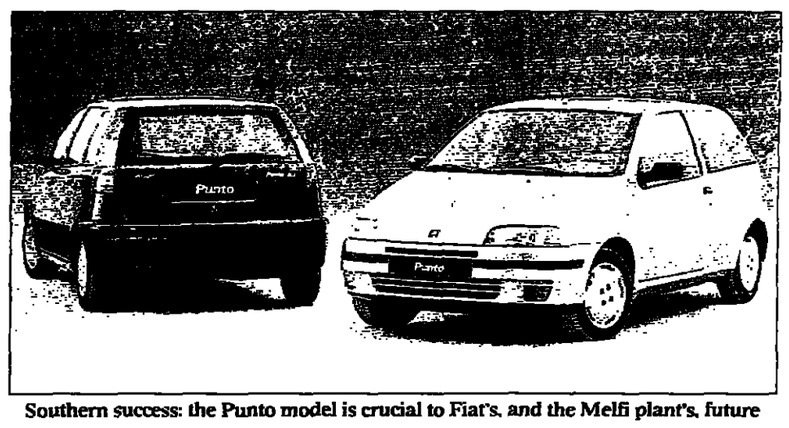
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Gianni Agnelli: strategist for an empire with 1,000 companies

Melfi's £2.1bn act of faith

Investment in the south has paid dividends in industrial relations



Southern success: the Punto model is crucial to Fiat's, and the Melfi plant's, future

Fiat has a long history of investment in southern Italy, and recently renewed its commitment to the area by siting a plant at Melfi in the province of Basilicata, just at the instep of the Italian boot, *Philip Willan writes*.

This state-of-the-art car factory, which will use the latest automation equipment and Japanese-style management techniques, will cost about 4,600 billion lire (£2.1 billion), the largest single investment by a European car manufacturer for at least a decade.

Because of its decision to invest in a depressed area, Fiat benefits from a generous incentives scheme involving grants, soft loans and tax breaks for a total of 1,300 billion lire. Payments from the government have, however, been delayed as a result of changes in the incentives scheme, which are destined to make the system simpler, but less generous than in the past.

The delays in allocating the government funds have not stopped construction on the plant, which is due to go into pre-production in September; the first cars are expected to roll off the production line in January, 1994. The funding delays have created more serious difficulties for Fiat's 18 suppliers, who are also building production facilities on the greenfield site.

"All Fiat's investments in the south have been profitable, even during the difficult period of social tension in the 1970s," a Fiat spokesman said. About 33,000 workers, or 29.6 per cent of the Fiat workforce, are employed in 32 southern factories. "The commitment of Fiat to the south is confirmed and is not going to change. These are strategic investments and the plants will be there for at least 50 years."

Rejecting calls to concentrate resources in the north, Cesare Annibaldi, Fiat's director of public relations, says: "The competitiveness of a country is measured in overall terms, not on the economic strength of a single area. The geographical balance is therefore a strategic question of concern to us all.

"If we don't make a serious effort to industrialise the south, then the north too will become ever weaker."

At Melfi, 7,000 workers will produce the Punto in the integrated bodywork and assembly plant. Engines will come from the nearby factory at Pratola Serra, another new investment, where 1,300 workers will eventually produce 800,000 engines a year. Once Melfi is fully operational, it will turn out 450,000 vehicles a year.

The success of the Punto is crucial to Fiat's future profitability, and every effort has been made to give the Melfi plant a technological edge over its competitors. Two traditional elements are missing: the warehouse for storing components, and the office block. Supplies will be delivered "just in time" by forklift truck direct from the manufacturers, so that there is no need for a warehouse, while white-collar workers will sit at computers along the assembly line, eliminating the need for offices.

Fiat is counting on a revolution in the organisation of work, as much as revolutionary technology, to boost productivity. The company has abolished two of the seven traditional levels of the factory hierarchy, and workers will be encouraged to contribute to the management process, with bonuses for particular production areas and for the contribution of each individual to be set by joint union-management committees. "The new system means workers will not hang their brain on the door when they arrive," the Fiat spokesman says.

The company has succeeded in negotiating an unprecedented wage agreement with the trade unions, announced in June, which sees the working day drop to 7¼ hours for the first time. Work will be divided into three shifts, one of them a night shift, and employees will work two six-day weeks followed by a three-day week. Workers at Melfi will earn about 2.7 million lire a year (£1,170) more than the basic national contract, but will still be three million lire less well-off than their counterparts in Turin.

The company and union leaders welcomed the accord. "We are abandoning the logic of inevitable opposition and allowing workers' organisations to participate in the decision-making processes of the business," says Paolo Gasca, Fiat's director of industrial relations. His reaction was echoed by Pier Paolo Baretta, the union leader: "We have overturned the tendency of maximising automation by giving low priority to the workers."

The company is confident that infrastructure problems, notably new rail and road links promised by Basilicata local authorities, will have been resolved by the time Melfi goes into production.

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A passionate affair from the start

The Italians' love for the motor car has never faltered. **Paul Bompard** reports on a national enthusiasm

For Italians, the motor car was love at first sight. Once the feeble resistance of the anti-automobile lobby had been broken, Italy embraced the internal combustion engine with a passionate enthusiasm equalled only, perhaps, by that of the French.

In the decades that followed, the country became a breeding ground for countless automotive ventures, and established such legendary long-distance road races as the Mille Miglia, which crossed northern and central Italy, and the Targa Florio, in Sicily.

Popular enthusiasm for the Mille Miglia was such that until the last race in 1959 the entire country came to a halt for 24 hours as 1,000 miles of public roads were closed off for the race. Anyone could take part, and stripping down the family Fiat and painting numbers on it was common.

A nation which was tasting industrialisation and mechanical technology for the first time in its history, while at the same time having a long tradition of craftsmanship, engineering and creativity, saw in the motor car the perfect means of expressing itself. It is not surprising that the Futurist movement of artists and writers, which extolled the cosmic virtues of speed and technology, was Italian.

Just as understandably, Mussolini's regime saw in cars and car racing, in the blood-red Alfas and Maseratis, a way of expressing national prestige. When, for instance, Omobono Tenni won the 1936 250cc Touring Trophy on the Isle of Man on a Moto Guzzi, it was seen as a triumph of Italian genius against the industrial might of perfidious Albion.

The first record of Italian-built cars is from 1895, when a Signor Bernardi and a Sr Lanza each made his own horseless carriage. Then, in 1899, Giovanni Agnelli, grandfather of Gianni Agnelli, the present chairman of Fiat, founded a factory in Turin which in 1906 became Fabbrica Italiana Automobili Torino, or Fiat, and is today the only mass producer of cars in the country.

In 1907 Count Vincenzo Lancia, an aristocratic racing driver who was said to sing arias from his favourite operas as he hurled his cars along the unpaved roads of the day, came on the scene. He founded Lancia & C, and began making the most aristocratic, and for many years the most technically innovative, of Italian cars. This characteristic survived in Lancias right up to the Fiat takeover in 1969.

The seeds of Alfa Romeo, by contrast, were foreign. The firm began as an Italian subsidiary of the French Darracq, and became Italian in 1909 as A.L.F.A., Anonima Lombarda Fabbrica Automobili. In 1919 it was reorganised by an engineer called Nicola Romeo and became Alfa Romeo.

The company rapidly emerged as the most sporting of the big Italian car concerns, enjoying great success on the racetrack. In 1931 it was bailed out of bankruptcy by the state, and during the war it built aero-engines. In 1988 it was taken over by Fiat.

Italy also produced a vast number of other cars: such names as OM, Ansaldo, Itala, Cemsa-Caproni, Chiribiri, Zust, SCAT, Diatto, SPA, Prinetti e Stucchi, Monterosa, Bianchi, Siata, OSCA, Moretti, Abarth and many others even more obscure. Most were short-lived ventures, usually the result of a wealthy person deciding to build his own cars, or of a larger company branching out into car production.

The most majestic of Italian cars was the legendary Isotta-Fraschini. Cesare Isotta and Oreste Fraschini began building cars at the turn of the century. By the 1920s they were considered to be among the most luxurious in the world. That was the age of palatial limousines for kings, dictators, captains of industry — with, always, a top hat — and Hollywood.

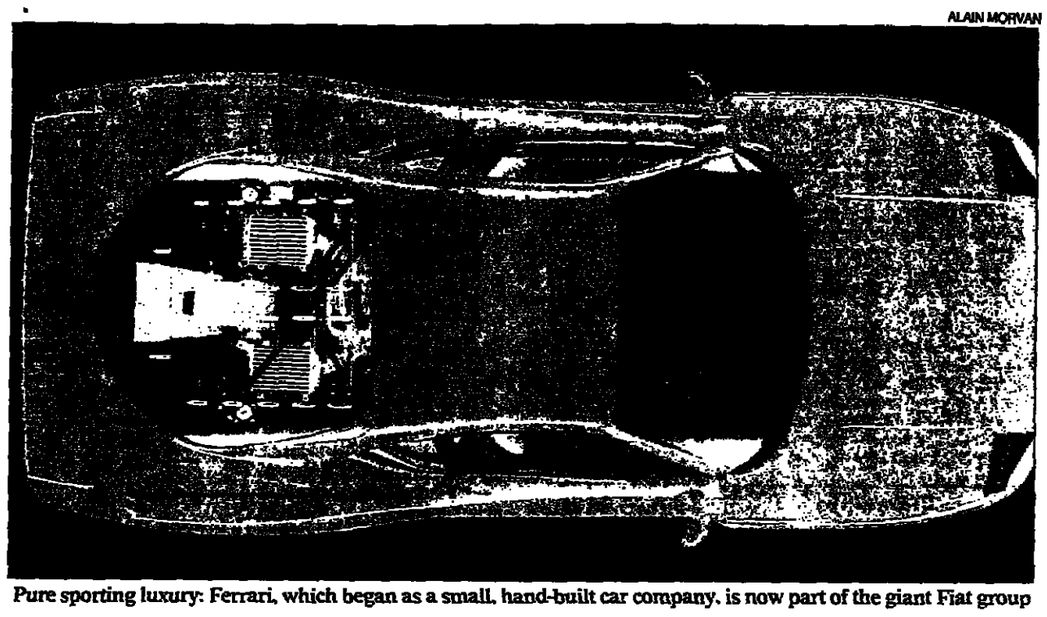
The Isotta was a favourite with film stars, and Valentino had several built during his brief career. The super-rich motorist who wanted the absolute best had three choices: Rolls-Royce, Hispano-Suiza and Isotta-Fraschini. Anything else was bourgeois, and some considered even the Rolls borderline.

Italy has also produced a number of interesting sports cars, many during the 1950s and 1960s. Names such as Cisitalia, Stanguellini, Bizzarrini, OSCA and Abarth have not survived, while others such as Ferrari and Maserati, which began as small, hand-built car concerns, still exist as part of the Fiat group.

The late 1940s, the 1950s and the 1960s were also the era of the great Italian coachbuilders and bodywork designers. Vignale, Superleggera, Bertone, Pininfarina, Boano, Scaglietti, Zagato and Touring, to name just the best known, worked for Italian carmakers, and at the same time they dominated car design. It was almost standard practice for French, British and American firms to have their most elegant models "dressed" in Italy.

The results were rarely disappointing. By the 1970s Italian design had transformed the way the world conceived the body of the car.

ALAIN MORVAN



Pure sporting luxury: Ferrari, which began as a small, hand-built car company, is now part of the giant Fiat group



Motoring legend: Bugatti — a name to send the blood pulsing through the arteries

The Bugatti legend lives again with a £292,000 combination of technology and tradition

The ultimate road car

There is a tiny part of the Emilia region around Modena which forms a golden triangle of Italy's most brilliant automotive engineering, the nursery of its luxury cars. Ferrari, Lamborghini and Bugatti are all made there a few miles from each other, *Paul Bompard writes.*

A traditional passion for motor sport and an unparalleled flair for sophisticated and imaginative mechanical creativity have combined in the area, virtually since the motor car was invented, to produce some of the finest pieces of engineering built.

Today, there are only the three supercar manufacturers there, though the number rises to five if one includes Maserati (which is down-market in comparison) and De Tomaso (which seems to make a car only now and then).

Ferrari is the oldest and most widely known of the three. With the collapse of the American market, Ferrari has had to cut production from 4,595 cars in 1991 to 3,337 in 1992, and only about 3,300 are planned for 1993. For the first time, it has had to lay off a few workers, if only temporarily.

Nevertheless, it recently introduced a new model, the 456 GT, a front-engined 2+2 grand tourer, so that it now offers four basic models at prices ranging from about £75,000 to about £150,000. They use eight or 12-cylinder engines and have top speeds from 155mph to 190mph.

Lamborghini is the result of a decision made in 1963 by Ferruccio Lamborghini, a farm machinery industrialist and a customer of Ferrari, that he could build a better, faster and more reliable car than Ferrari. In 1987, after years of financial ups and downs, the company was taken over by the Chrysler Corporation.

The company has held up well in today's crisis, selling last year 186 cars, 19 of its special off-road vehicles, and 14 marine racing engines for offshore speedboats. Sales were down only slightly on 1991, and Lamborghini expects to sell about 250 of its Diablo V-12 engined model, in two-wheel and four-wheel drive versions, by the end of 1993.

The third name, Bugatti, is one to send the blood pulsing through the arteries of any car enthusiast. In 1989, half a century after the legendary car firm founded by Ettore Bugatti folded, an international group of investors headed by Romano Artioli, a businessman and car buff, decided to resurrect the Bugatti name.

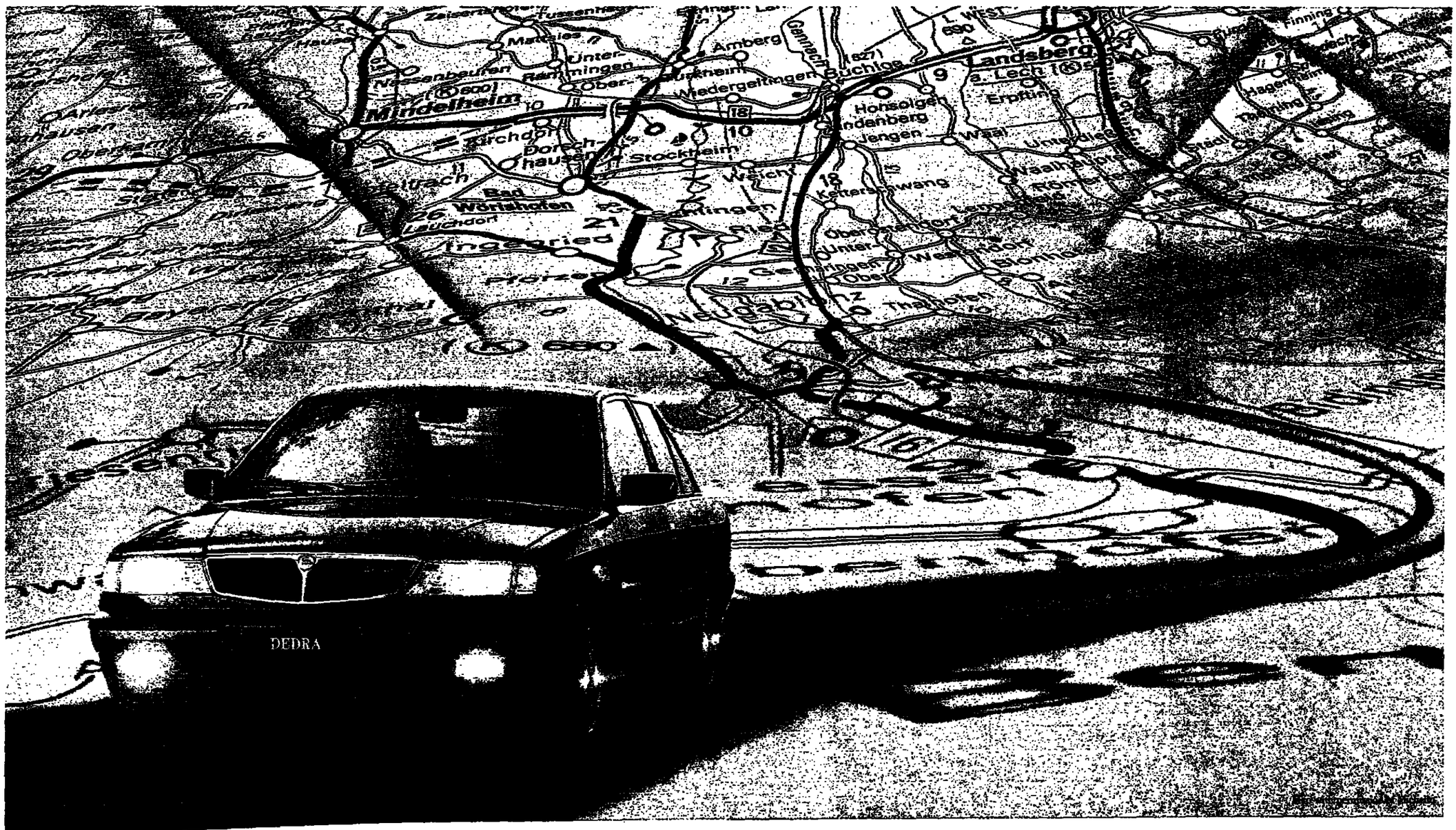
Bugatti has two models in production, the EB 110 GT and the EB 110 S, a more powerful version. Both use a 3.5-litre V-12 engine with five valve cylinders and four superchargers. The "mild" EB 110 GT can top 200 mph and accelerate from 0 to 60mph in under 3.5 seconds, while the lightened and more powerfully tuned EB 110 S will do even better. They are the world's fastest production cars.

They use special materials, carbon fibre "sandwiches" for the chassis, and special alloys throughout, a result of Bugatti's collaboration with the French Aérospatiale.

Bugatti is also preparing a spectacular 4-door saloon, the EB 112, which will combine ultra-modern technology and a body style reminiscent of the modernistic, visually aerodynamic avant-garde designs that were a hallmark of the Bugattis of the 1920s and 1930s. It has soft, rounded curves in the body and leather and briarwood inside.

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Capitalisation, week's change

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BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5,309.60	Abbey Nt	405	+3	11.5	3.6	15.5
1,803.80	Allied Irish	275	-10	...	3.8	15.1
2,336.60	Aus New Z	191	+10	...	4.7	...
11,265.50	Bankamerica	3169½	+150	...	...	...
1,159.30	Bk of Ireland	247	+7	...	5.0	19.9
27.30	Bk Leumi UK	350 †	...	17.0	6.1	...
1,989.40	Bank Scotland	171½	+10½	4.5	3.3	34.2
7,973.20	Barclays	494	-4	...	...	...
6.04	Benchmark	3½	...	...	...	...
6.24	Carlisle	20½	+1½	...	...	...
130.40	Cater Allen	541	+14	27.0	6.2	...
152.80	Cattles	138	+5	...	3.8	18.4
3,687.90	Chase Manh	2362½	+118½	...	...	...
8,087.80	Citicorp	2212½	...	...	...	...
174.20	Close Bros	395	-2	...	3.0	17.6
3,872.80	Commerzbk	£130½	+62½	...	3.0	...
14,788.10	Deutsche Bk	£310½	+715½	...	1.9	...
150.10	First Nat Fin	92	+6	...	0.7	...
47,804.70	Fuji Bank Y	1651	+43	...	0.3	∞
185.70	Gerrard Nat	475	+9	21.5	5.7	12.6
6,199.20	HSBC	756	+42	19.0	3.1	18.1
12,489.80	HSBC HK	732½	+37½	19.0	3.2	17.5
660.40	Hambros	378	-2	14.0	4.6	17.5
19.00	Joseph (L)	363 †	+15	16.6	5.7	...
24.30	King Shaxson	154	+16	9.0	7.3	...
649.80	Kleinwort Ben	496	+7	16.0	4.1	17.0
7,032.70	Lloyds	549 †	+2	18.4	4.2	15.7
51.20	Lon Scot Bk	86	-1	3.0	4.4	17.0
6,470.90	Nat Aust Bk	502	+29	...	4.0	17.4
7,916.50	Nat West	479½	-18½	17.5	4.6	28.7
565.60	Provident	424	+7	11.4	3.4	18.4
18.00	Rea Bros	46	+5	0.5	1.4	48.9
2,383.00	Ryl Bk Scot	300½	+2½	8.8	3.7	...
1,185.90	Schroders	1180	-3	...	1.2	23.5
2,302.80	Stand Chart	967	+83	20.0	2.6	...
3,187.80	TSB	210	-4	6.4	3.9	...
35.10	Union Disc	185	+7	...	...	...
1,702.80	Warburg SG	792	+10	...	3.0	20.0
119.60	-do- 6% 'A'	281	+9½	...	2.7	...
4,334.90	Wells Fargo	7825	+225	...	1.3	...
3,208.40	Westpac	183	...	...	4.1	...
23.70	Wintrust	280	+40	9.3	4.2	∞

BREWERIES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5,242.10	Allied-Lyons	593	-4	...	4.4	16.0
4,183.80	Bass	482	+6	18.9	4.9	10.5
330.40	Boddington	274	+7	7.3	3.3	16.0
228.90	Bulmer (HP)	436 †	+6	...	2.9	19.0
31.20	Burtonwd Brw	150	+6	4.7	4.0	12.5
208.60	Devenish (JA)	387	+10	7.8	2.5	21.8
21.80	Eldridge P 'A'▲	112	+9	...	3.6	29.6
1,749.20	Fosters Brewing	55	+½	...	6.9	7.6
80.80	Fullr Sml 'A'▲	400	+5	7.4	2.3	17.1
9,244.00	Grand Met	447	+28	12.3	3.4	14.8
776.60	Greenalls Grp	373	+8	11.7	3.9	12.4
241.10	Greene King	570	+15	...	2.7	16.1
9,277.00	Guinness	462	-8	...	3.2	16.4
61.30	Hardy Hanson	245	...	7.9	4.0	13.6
2.92	Heretree▲	115	...	3.0	3.3	27.4
436.60	Highland Distl	349	+3	6.0	2.1	23.2
88.10	Holt J	2408	+13	41.0	1.7	19.1
3.23	Hoskins Brew	56 #	...	...	...	40.3
378.70	Invergordn Dist	297	-14	...	2.9	17.0
180.60	Macallan-Glen	155	-6	0.9	0.7	34.8
51.40	Macdn Martn 'A'	378	-12	...	2.9	18.0
123.70	Mansfield	783	...	...	2.5	14.0
260.00	Mrston Thmp	287	+12	...	2.4	17.3
62.50	Matthew Clark	440	+10	...	4.9	∞
35.00	Mrrydwn W	289	-5	7.0	3.1	∞
110.20	Morland	520	-5	8.4	2.0	20.7
5.15	Paramount▲	10½	...	...	2.1	18.2
25.20	Regent Inns	172	+5	...	3.3	17.2
2,455.40	SA Breweries	898	-10	...	3.0	14.9
1,890.30	Scot & New	449	...	...	4.7	14.0
221.90	Taunton Cider	203 †	-1	6.0	3.7	16.6
330.80	Vaux Group	239	-3	9.3	4.9	16.5
87.10	Wetherspoon JD	378	+2	...	2.2	22.5
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189.90	-do- 'B'	1158	...	...	1.9	29.1
341.40	Wolvrhmptn D	518	-13	11.4	2.8	14.6
13.80	Young 'A'	475	...	14.5	3.8	19.6

BUILDING, ROADS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
44.50	Abbey	115	...	...	8.9	∞
9.61	Albrighton▲	19	+2	...	...	...
25.30	Allen▲	114	...	...	5.5	25.8
202.00	Amec	100	+7	3.0	3.8	18.5
2.97	Anglia Sec	9	-3	...	...	...
56.30	Ashtead▲	250	+4	4.5	2.3	∞
327.10	Airwoods	116	+11	5.0	5.4	16.8
1,237.80	BPB Ind	249	+15	...	3.8	42.8
29.00	Baggeridge Brk	73	-1	3.1	5.4	24.5
2.66	Bailey (Ben) Con	25½	...	0.5	...	...
19.70	Barcom	106	-2	1.2	1.5	19.2
276.60	Bardon	50 †	+7	2.0	5.0	24.6
283.40	Barratt Devs	157	-1	2.0	1.6	17.5
395.00	Bellway	421	+11	...	3.6	24.4
13.60	Bellwinch	31	-2	...	...	...
335.90	Berkeley Gp	438	+25	...	1.7	27.5
15.60	Bett Bros	104	+5	...	0.6	4.3
13.10	Blockleys	51	...	1.0	2.5	56.3
1,955.50	Blue Circle	283	+14	...	5.0	...
71.80	Boot (Henry)	276	...	5.9	2.7	15.4
27.00	Breedon PLC	95	+6	4.6	6.1	23.0
20.80	Br Dredging	118	+3	5.2	5.5	26.2
16.20	Brit Fittings	68	...	1.5	2.8	...
403.20	Bryant	147	+5½	4.8	4.1	31.4
26.80	CALA	76	...	2.3	...	...
819.10	CRH	282	-3	...	3.0	19.6
1.20	Cakebread Rby	20	-1	...	...	...
87.50	Costain	38	+3½	...	...	...
103.00	Countryside	135	+8	...	3.8	35.7
54.70	Crest Nicholson	71½	+9½	0.0	...	...
13.10	Cussins	92	-1	...	1.4	...
1.43	Dunton▲	3	+½	...	...	...
9.49	Edmond Hldgs	18	+1	0.5	3.5	...
51.60	Epwin	262	+7	6.8	3.2	22.2
21.30	Erith	45	+1	0.3	1.0	...
41.20	Eve Group▲	433 †	+5	...	2.9	15.6
6.09	Explaura▲	4	+½	...	...	...
8.93	Freeman Gp▲	129 †	...	...	4.8	20.5
39.00	Galliford	44	+3	4.3	...	17.7
0.94	Gibbs & Dandy	54	...	...	...	...
91.90	Gleeson (MJ)	910	...	12.7	1.8	14.8
246.90	Hewden-Stuart	130	+4½	...	3.1	29.5
3.97	Hewetson	46	...	...	3.5	33.4
225.00	Heywd Wlm	309	+4	12.5	5.1	...
47.50	Higgs & Hill	108	+16	3.5	2.9	...
11.90	How Gp	29	+1	...	6.5	...
4.77	Howard Hldgs	19	...	0.5	3.4	...
190.20	Ibstock Johnsen	76	+10	1.0	1.6	...
12.20	Jarvis	18	...	...	...	...
141.50	Laing (J)	298	+31	9.0	3.6	12.4
48.00	-do- 6.4% Cv Pf	119½	+5	...	6.7	...
8.26	Le Clydesdale▲	91	+6	4.5	6.2	34.3
14.60	Lovell (YJ)	17½	+3	...	...	7.9
118.20	Manders	316	...	9.0	3.6	19.4
460.80	Marley	165	+20	4.2	3.2	48.4
112.50	Marshalls	93	-3	...	5.4	64.0
40.30	Maunders (J)	163	+4	4.9	3.8	14.9
118.10	McAlpine (A)	209	+6	6.5	3.9	36.2
23.90	McCarthy & S	34	...	0.5	...	...
459.50	Meyer Int	370	+4	...	3.4	37.1
132.20	Mowlem (J)	122	+8	4.0	4.1	...
20.60	NSM	120	+12	...	...	...
9.01	Needler ▲	48	...	...	3.7	23.3
200.40	Newman Tnks	166	-2	...	6.0	22.2
289.50	Persimmon	293	+25	8.6	3.7	29.9
3.46	Phoenix Timber	24	-1	...	...	...
15.90	Pochins	1525	...	29.0	2.4	9.3
84.00	Prowting	131	+4	3.4	3.2	...
1.99	Quiligotti▲	2½	+½	...	...	...
1,605.20	RMC Gp	819	+20	...	3.1	32.2
156.00	Raine Ind	83	...	6.0	9.0	13.9
2.49	Ramus▲	22	...	...	...	...
2,792.20	Redland	554	+28	25.0	5.6	32.2
11.50	Roskel	77	...	4.3	7.0	11.3
822.20	Rugby Group	281	+6	6.4	2.8	21.5
6.42	Swrd-Bee▲	41	...	...	...	...
22.10	Sharpe & Fisher	107	-2	...	4.7	18.6
125.80	Sheffield Insl	193	+10	...	3.5	47.4
14.70	Sheriff Hldgs▲	140	-16	...	1.8	20.9
2.47	Shorco▲	72	...	...	9.0	16.4
21.70	Smart (J)	215	+½	8.5	4.9	9.8
13.40	Starmin	4	+½	0.3	9.4	∞
1,086.20	Tarmac	148	-1½	5.5	4.6	...
35.90	Tay Homes	164	+11	5.8	4.5	10.5
555.70	Taylor Woodrw	133	+15	1.0	0.9	...
196.00	Tilbury Dougls	580	-4	33.0	7.1	18.9
3.56	Torex Hire▲	35	...	...	1.4	...
251.70	Travis Perkins	247	+10	8.0	4.0	43.5
14.30	Try Group	33	...	1.0	3.8	9.3
2.84	Tudor▲	26	...	...	1.2	...
33.60	Vibroplant	73	+6	2.5	4.4	25.8
25.80	Ward Hldgs	49	-3	...	...	...
0.88	Waterhouse	35	+5	...	...	...
90.50	Watts Blake	435	...	...	3.4	18.8
2.21	Wescol▲	21	-1	...	...	...
107.10	Westbury	161	+16	5.0	3.9	25.1
3.92	West Scaffold▲	7½	...	...	...	...
1.43	Wiggins	9 #	...	...	...	...
340.70	Wilson Bowdn	439	+22	8.7	2.5	30.1
361.90	Wilson (C)	191	+5	3.9	2.6	33.1
681.30	Wimpey G	189	+4	...	3.5	...
4.49	YRM	34	...	0.5	1.8	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
902.50	ADT	650	-80	...	...	...
9.33	Adam & Harvey	218	+13	12.0	6.9	∞
6.47	Air London▲	73	+8	...	6.0	9.0
3.45	African Lakes	49	-2	2.0	5.1	...
180.00	Auto Sec	158	...	...	4.2	28.3
1,237.80	BET Ord	132½	-4	...	3.1	5.3
21.70	BNB Res	90	...	4.9	6.8	...
80.00	BPP	309	+15	8.0	3.3	16.9
33.30	Barbour Index	200	+2	8.0	5.0	∞
17.90	Boustead	21	...	0.7	4.2	...
56.60	Brit Data Mgt	233	+4	...	2.1	19.4
3.98	Broadcastle▲	25	...	...	...	19.9
7.23	Brooks Service	80	...	...	...	...
50.10	CRT Gp	95	...	2.8	3.8	∞
76.80	Capita Group	162	+1	...	1.6	25.2
33.30	Casket Plc	41½	-1	...	2.4	15.8
18.10	Cathern Capital	19½	-½	...	...	...
10.80	Christie	46	+1	...	...	...
960.90	Chubb Sec	344	+7	...	1.7	21.4
5.46	Comac▲	85	...	...	2.2	21.2
7.43	Corp Services	25	-1	...	...	...
10.70	Coutts Cnslg	45	-4	...	...	...
16.80	Dart	110	...	3.3	3.8	14.9
251.20	Davis Service	247	+14	...	4.0	18.6
5.05	EW Facs▲	94	+3	4.3	5.7	10.8
30.00	Gardiner	28	+½	0.6	...	19.2
971.20	Hays	241	-1	4.6	2.4	23.7
156.40	Hogg Robinsn	226	+6	...	3.7	16.5
15.40	Holmes Protecn	35	-2	...	...	2.1
6,809.20	Hnsch Whamp	196	+3	...	2.4	16.7
529.20	ISS B DKr	2037½	-21½	...	5.2	2.7
2,813.90	Inchcape	537	-27	...	3.2	18.6
164.50	Johnson Clean	835	+15	25.7	3.0	18.1
78.40	Lep	8½	+½	...	...	...
27.90	Mide Gp	269	+28	3.5	1.6	∞
793.90	Manpower	1067	+37	...	...	...
31.70	Michael Page	53	+½	1.8	4.2	22.5
8.52	Penna▲	180	-9	...	6.9	0.7
2.23	Prime People▲	2½	...	...	...	...
79.10	Proudfoot Alex	127	+7	...	11.8	7.0
37.50	RCO	350	+13	12.8	5.0	11.8
9.49	REA	100	...	4.0	3.0	...
50.70	Reed Executive	99	+1	...	...	...
26.40	Reliance Sec▲	118	+8	...	4.9	∞
1,975.20	Rentokil	203	-2	2.3	1.4	25.3
12.60	Rolfe & Nolan	223	...	...	4.0	12.6
1,066.70	Salvesen (C)	370	+8½	...	2.6	20.3
2.85	Scott Pickford▲	33	+6	...	3.0	10.5
69.50	Securiguard	330	...	...	4.2	18.0
12.91	Select Appt▲	6	+½	...	...	...
120.80	Serco Gp	1050	+57	14.0	1.7	29.0
7.56	Sherwd Cmpt▲	124	-20	...	7.1	3.6
56.30	Sketchley	47	-1	...	3.9	22.2
78.70	Warner Howrd	332	+4	6.5	3.4	17.3
15.10	Welpac	34	-1	...	...	...
32.80	Wills Gp	27½	+½	...	0.5	32.5

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
646.00	Allied Colloids	246	+2	...	2.3	21.7
461.70	Amersham	810	-8	...	2.1	28.0
18.40	Anglo Utd	2	...	...	...	...
5,891.30	BASF DM	£103	+306½	...	3.1	...
385.60	BTP	290	+18	...	4.0	20.0
7,815.00	Bayer DM50	£118½	+328½	...	4.4	...
72.50	Blagden	156	...	9.5	...	16.7
81.00	Brent Chems	120	+9	...	7.7	11.0
124.90	Br Bio-Tech	350	+5	...	...	...
7.15	Caird Gp	12½	-1½	...	13.3	34.7
39.30	Canning (W)	139	+10	7.2	6.6	15.9
2,317.80	Courtaulds	578	-1	...	3.0	15.4
378.90	Croda	289	-1	...	3.4	18.9
14.90	Doeflex	138	...	4.6	4.2	10.6
172.40	Ellis & Everard	209 †	...	7.0	4.2	∞
0.87	Euro Colour	33	-½	0.8	3.0	20.2
92.70	Halstead (J)	311	+2	...	2.4	15.6
310.40	Hickson	179	-15	...	5.6	16.6
6,593.00	Hoechst	£111½	+325	...	3.1	...
188.90	Holliday Chem	221	+10	...	2.1	20.2
5,010.90	ICI	695	+19	...	5.0	...
1,219.20	Laporte	639	+14	19.5	3.8	17.6
141.80	Leigh	223	+22	...	4.5	21.0
14.20	MTM	55	+8	...	...	...
3,902.50	Norsk Hydro	1900	+118½	...	1.5	27.0
110.50	Paterson Zoch	453	...	11.4	3.2	19.5
93.40	-do- 'A'	406	...	11.4	3.5	17.5
106.70	Plysu	225	-1	...	3.9	14.7
37.60	Porvair	244	+1	3.6	1.8	26.1
31.60	Sutcliffe Speak	12½	-1	...	...	...
109.70	Wardle Storeys	444	+31	16.0	4.5	17.8
35.50	Wlsmhlme R	480	...	17.0	4.4	16.4
172.80	Yorks Chem	379	+25	...	2.5	20.2
218.40	Yule Catto	257	...	5.9	2.9	15.7
6,265.40	Zeneca	663	+7	...	5.3	38.5

DRAPERY, STORES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
37.30	Alexon	65 †	+5	...	5.8	...
81.40	Amber Day	70	-1	3.1	5.5	19.2
1,003.00	Argos Plc	338	+1	...	2.6	28.8
21.80	Ashley Group	15½	-1	...	4.5	...
249.00	Ashley (Laura)	106	-1	0.1	0.1	...
233.80	Asprey	293	...	5.1	2.2	20.3
38.30	Austin Reed	125	+7	...	2.5	...
68.70	Beattie (J) 'A'	148	...	...	5.1	14.9
42.30	Bentalls	101	+2	1.9	2.4	...
248.40	Betterware	244	-21	...	1.0	29.2
9.22	Blacks Leis	29	-2	2.2	10.2	...
393.10	Body Shop	210	-8	...	1.0	27.1
100.90	Brown & Jackson	15½	+½	...	0.6	7.8
278.10	Brown (N)	381	+3	...	2.3	22.4
1,129.30	Burton	80½	+2	...	3.1	...
23.60	Camors	142	...	...	2.4	18.9
37.00	Church	343	...	12.5	4.6	30.5
26.00	Clinton Cards	153	-5	4.2	3.5	18.5
1,483.50	Coats Viyella	244	-3	...	3.7	28.7
19.40	Colourvision▲	96	...	5.6	7.5	16.7
166.10	Courts Furnish	678	+6	5.5	1.0	8.5
2.24	Crown Eyes▲	140	...	...	6.5	∞
2,070.90	Dairy Farm Intl	125	+4	...	2.9	18.7
99.20	Dewhirst (IJ)	79	...	1.0	1.6	25.4
892.10	Dixons Grp	227	-9	...	3.4	...
427.40	Dunhill	369	-13	8.1	2.8	14.3
9.17	ERA Gp	16	...	...	...	...
6.06	Elys (Wimbldon)	505	...	16.0	4.1	16.9
18.40	Essex Furn	161	+8	...	2.1	27.3
169.10	Etam	259	+4	6.9	3.3	23.7
475.40	Fine Art Dev	398	-6	12.7	2.7	19.5
2.17	Fired Earth Tiles	38	+1	...	...	...
16.50	Forminster	538 †	...	14.0	3.3	∞
20.30	French Conn▲	128	+10	...	...	...
25.60	Gent SR	71	+5	2.0	3.5	20.8
14.00	Goldsmiths Gp	64	+8	0.7	0.6	...
197.30	GUS	3625	+25	...	1.5	28.4
4,876.40	-do- 'A'	2018	+33	...	2.8	15.7
3.71	Hampden Grp▲	31	...	...	4.0	15.4
6.80	Hartstone	60	+1	...	5.8	...
27.80	Helene Plc	23	-1	2.0	10.9	10.9
3.18	Heritage▲	72	+1	...	...	...
5.52	Honeysuckle▲	68	-3	...	1.8	9.6
11.60	Jacques Vert	122	-1	3.0	3.1	∞
4,315.00	Kingfisher	669	+33	...	2.6	21.9
24.30	Leslie Wise Gp	70	...	4.0	7.3	14.1
96.30	Liberty	580	+12	7.2	1.6	68.3
316.10	Lloyds Chem	266	-6	5.5	2.6	10.5
819.80	MFI	141	-6	...	3.4	29.1
10,196.40	Marks Spencer	368½	+11	...	2.7	20.2
290.20	Menzies (John)	522	+19	...	2.6	14.6
37.70	Moss Bros	226	+1	5.5	3.0	26.5
741.70	Next	201	-2	2.5	1.6	24.0
8.34	Oliver (G)	33	...	...	...	...
157.40	Oriflame Intl	300	-3	...	4.1	14.4
70.50	Pentos	49	+1	1.5	3.8	10.2
84.10	QS Hldgs	214	+4	5.1	3.0	15.2
109.20	Ratners Group	37½	+1½	...	...	...
17.70	Rhino Grp▲	34½	...	...	...	...
169.00	Sherwood Gp	152	+5	...	2.1	13.7
1,711.60	Sears	113½	+4½	...	3.9	...
1,286.70	Smith WH 'A'	472	+8	13.4	3.5	16.6
1.87	Specialeyes▲	12	...	...	...	...
929.50	Storehouse	226	+15	...	2.8	29.2
100.30	T & S Stores	157	+1	5.9	4.7	11.7
74.80	Tie Rack	145	+4	1.0	0.9	23.7
116.50	Time Products	221	+8	7.5	4.2	19.1
7.55	Usher (Frank)▲	108	+9	...	5.8	8.5
18.70	Vivat	34	...	1.0	3.7	10.5
2.54	Wensum▲	34	...	...	6.7	...
349.50	Wickes	114	...	...	...	90.6
5.61	Wld of Leather▲	69	...	...	...	...
56.20	Wyevale▲	183	...	...	2.7	24.2
5.78	Xtra-vision▲	3½	...	...	...	...

ELECTRICALS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
337.50	ACT Group	183	-4	...	3.4	18.4
33.70	Acal▲	233	...	...	3.4	16.2
72.40	Acorn Comp▲	109	-6	...	...	55.1
48.30	Admiral	447	+3	5.4	1.5	18.9
69.90	Alba	151	...	...	4.1	18.5
11.30	Alphameric	42	+5	...	...	...
203.40	Amstrad	35	...	0.4	...	...
14.50	App Holo▲	70	+2	...	...	...
10.50	Arlen	35	-1	...	...	...
204.70	Astec	66½	-2½	...	...	1.0
24.90	Beales Hunter	253	-5	9.4	4.8	∞
5.30	Bennett & Fount	5	-½	...	...	...
1,490.50	BICC	413	-30	19.2	5.8	28.0
108.60	Blick	436	-4	9.2	2.6	17.0
312.40	Borland▲	1100	-150	...	...	...
608.90	Bowthorpe	369	+4	6.3	2.2	24.1
26,832.30	BT	432½	+8½	...	4.6	20.0
5,462.50	BT P/P	187½	+8	...	4.4	21.1
2.86	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	11	...	0.1	1.1	...
49.00	Burnfield	143	+5	5.7	5.0	22.6
9,144.10	Cable Wireless	842	+31	...	2.3	27.1
49.50	Chloride	20½	+½	...	...	...
45.10	CML Micro▲	258	+5	...	2.3	18.8
12.60	Comptr People	91	-14	0.6	0.9	...
296.40	Cray Elect	146 †	-3	...	1.3	14.7
47.00	Crichley	407 †	+10	...	1.9	∞
812.50	Delta	549	+1	...	3.2	22.6
14.90	Denmans El▲	342	...	...	2.2	14.6
111.90	Domino	437	+41	7.2	2.1	14.9
85.80	Dowding Mills	58½	+½	2.5	5.3	19.2
66.50	Druck▲	1070	+45	10.0	1.2	∞
957.90	Electrocompnts	457	+5	...	2.2	18.6
47.40	El Data Proc	545	-5	5.1	1.2	14.9
27.80	Electron House	108	...	2.6	3.1	23.3
27.60	Emess	26	+2	0.1	0.5	...
366.00	Eurotherm	595 †	+10	8.0	1.7	27.1
681.90	FKI	154	+1	...	2.4	22.5
605.20	Farnell Elect	452	+1	...	1.7	23.9
7.61	Feedback▲	90	...	...	2.1	11.7
109.90	Ferranti	11½	-½	...	...	...
37.00	First Tech	249	+2	1.0	0.5	∞
20.00	Forward Gp▲	267	+2	...	1.5	24.1
6.12	Forward Tech	18	-2	...	...	...
9,578.80	GEC	351	+7½	10.3	3.7	17.6
121.50	Graseby	192	...	...	7.1	40.4
10.50	Graystone	11	+1	...	...	...
1.35	Hitelarc▲	36	...	...	1.7	11.7
6.71	INSTEM▲	149	+4	...	2.6	10.7
67.00	Jones Stroud	368	...	8.8	3.0	∞
4.42	Kembrey	15½	-½	0.1	1.3	...
112.30	Kenwood App	306	+2	...	3.2	17.2
22.90	Kewill Sys▲	192	-4	...	...	...
17.30	Kode	186	-2	5.5	3.7	22.1
5.64	Laser-Scan▲	35	-1	...	...	...
40.40	LBMS▲	225	-28	...	0.4	31.6
16.50	Lec Refrig	273	...	9.0	4.1	...
249.30	Life Sciences	147	+4	3.5	3.0	15.9
143.30	Logica	233	-11	3.6	2.0	27.5
4.26	LPA Ind▲	51	+4	...	8.6	14.4
105.00	MR Data Mngmt	190	...	4.3	2.8	18.1
147.70	Macro 4	653	-2	...	2.4	21.9
98.90	Memec-Sw▲	607	-23	...	2.3	∞
261.30	Micro Focus	1853	+23	...	...	17.1
57.90	Microgen	147	...	7.2	6.2	10.0
17.00	Microvitec▲	26	+2	...	...	...
194.20	Misys	501 †	-8	7.0	1.7	∞
274.20	Mitel	347	+21	...	...	...
13.50	MMT Comp▲	127	+1	...	3.4	16.1
6.32	Molynx	33½	...	1.3	4.9	...
38.20	MTL Inst▲	217	+1	...	2.1	16.4
16.30	Muirhead Elect	108	-11	3.5	4.1	∞
19.60	Murray Enter	205	+14	1.8	1.2	...
12,754.30	NYNEX	6175	+237½	...	...	...
34.70	Neotronics	135	...	2.6	2.4	17.4
2.83	Newmark (L)	61	...	...	...	...
13.40	Norbain▲	193	+4	...	1.0	14.7
10.30	Northamber	58	-3	0.6	1.3	...
15.90	Oceonics	11½	+½	...	...	...
137.20	Oxford Inst	284	+1	4.5	2.0	19.3
13.30	P-E Intern'l	61	-5	1.0	2.0	...
39.40	P & P	71	+1	1.4	2.5	37.3
81.60	Peek	71	+1	3.4	6.0	18.5
11.30	Pegasus▲	175	+3	...	4.5	44.9
11.60	Philips Fn 4%	9000	...	...	6.4	...
4,074.70	-do- Lmp nv	1275	+50	...	...	...
89.10	Phonelink▲	251	...	...	...	...
24.60	Pifco	531	+7	8.2	2.0	∞
17.70	-do- 'A' Voting	512	+13	8.2	2.0	∞
3.62	Plasmec▲	78	...	...	6.0	6.6
27.50	Pressac	108	+3	2.4	2.8	21.8
18.90	Psion▲	86	-14	...	3.6	22.8
670.30	Racal Elect	240	-1	4.2	2.2	14.3
10.70	Radamec	58	+2	...	3.2	12.4
10.60	Radius▲	39 †	+4	2.7	...	13.5
5.32	Real Time ▲	76	-3	...	5.1	∞
8.32	Riva▲	32	+3	...	...	40.6
85.10	Sage Gp	415	-1	9.0	2.7	13.3
29.00	Sanderson Elec	325	+5	9.0	3.5	13.9
30.70	Scantronic	81 †	+5	3.1	4.8	20.4
55.00	Scholes Grp	145	...	5.0	4.3	28.5
332.10	Sema Gp	365	+1	2.8	1.0	29.6
12.70	Silvermines	39	-1	...	3.2	...
4.70	Soundtracks▲	47	...	...	5.9	15.9
3,468.30	TDK	2637½	+78½	...	1.2	29.4
1.26	TDS Circuits▲	14	-2	...	...	...
138.50	Telemetrix	153	-3	0.8	0.7	35.2
3,807.80	THORN EMI	931 †	-4	...	4.3	19.0
13.30	Thorpe FW	103	-1	2.5	3.0	10.6
6.60	Total Systems▲	64	-2	3.0	5.9	11.3
76.00	Tunstall	475	+30	6.0	1.6	19.0
189.20	Unitech	277	+5	6.1	2.8	∞
6.55	Verity	6½	...	...	...	...
33.40	Vistec▲	27½	-1½	...	1.7	15.8
5,251.30	Vodafone	522	+26	...	1.7	23.6
119.10	Volex	451	+6	17.8	5.1	18.0
3.76	Western Selecn	25	+1	...	...	...
37.80	Wholesale Figs	266	+15	11.7	5.7	∞

ELECTRICITY

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,114.80	East Midlands	511	+16	...	4.8	9.6
1,423.30	Eastern Elec	525	+15	...	4.6	10.5
1,411.40	Hydro-Elect	368½	+12½	...	3.9	13.1
1,147.20	London Elect	526	+18	...	4.6	11.7
673.60	Manweb	567	+14	...	4.6	8.2
1,127.10	Midlands Elec	538	+19	...	4.6	9.6
4,571.70	National Powr	358	+6	...	3.7	10.6
700.40	Northern Elec	569	+13	...	4.7	8.2
444.40	Nthn Ireland	150	+8	...	4.6	9.1
953.30	Norweb	552 †	+5	20.0	4.5	8.6
3,034.10	PowerGen	387½	+4½	...	3.4	10.2
2,376.90	Scottish Power	353	-18	...	4.0	12.8
726.20	Seeboard	570	+13	...	4.4	9.2
604.50	Sth Wales	595	+26	...	4.7	9.9
646.30	Sth Westrn	525	+12	...	4.8	12.6
1,452.10	Southern Elec	538	+22	...	4.6	9.9
1,136.00	Yorkshire Elec	548	+2	...	4.7	10.3

FINANCE, LAND

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
31.50	Aitken Hume	52	+1½	1.0	2.5	∞
19.80	BWD▲	110	+9	...	3.6	17.2
27.50	Baltic Plc	91	...	...	1.4	...
434.10	Caledonia	523	+14	...	3.6	19.4
35.60	Camellia	1425	+43½	...	1.1	5.3
66.50	Candover	298	+5	10.2	4.3	21.1
47.30	Flextech▲	138	+8	...	0.5	...
266.00	Govett	325	+5	...	4.7	10.0
52.20	Ivory Sime	180 †	-27	...	4.5	16.0
1.87	LIT	3½	-½	...	...	...
0.66	Lightship	12 #	...	...	...	...
229.00	Lon Forfaiting▲	225	+6	8.4	4.8	16.0
13.60	Marakin	67	+3	5.0	10.1	∞
10.10	Nat Home Loan	9½	...	...	...	...
18.50	Newmarket	52	+1	...	...	...
60.50	Rathbone Brs	307	+21	6.0	2.4	18.7
61.60	Rutland Tst	24	+2½	...	4.2	14.3
29.30	S & U	273	+5	10.0	4.6	10.1
140.50	Singer & Fried	73	+1	2.6	4.5	...
261.20	Sotheby's	770	+32	...	5.2	...
418.30	SIP Capital	154	+4	3.0	2.4	63.5

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
10,948.30	Amer Express	2275 †	+40½	...	...	...
213.60	Henderson Ad	698	+85	...	5.3	23.0
391.50	Invesco	160	+2	...	3.3	...
2,097.30	Jardine Strat	222	+4	...	3.5	10.3
734.60	MAI	227	+14½	6.0	3.3	16.5
1,237.40	M&M	658	+49	15.0	2.8	16.4
668.40	M & G	890	+15	...	3.0	23.7
158.30	Smith New Ct	314	+25	...	2.4	4.7
44.50	Trio Hldgs	80	-4	...	4.7	...

FOODS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2,271.90	AB Food	506	+14	14.0	3.5	21.6
1,775.30	ASDA Group	61½	-4	...	3.3	14.0
94.40	Acatos & Hutch	286	+6	6.5	2.8	16.5
441.50	Albert Fisher	73	+5	3.7	6.4	12.2
3,662.40	Argyll	327	-2	...	4.2	12.1
24.40	Assoc Fisheries	139	-5	...	7.3	2.8
19.00	Banks (S C)	225	+15	9.0	5.0	∞
62.40	Barr (AG)	330	...	6.5	2.5	16.7
12.00	Bensons Crsp▲	66	-3	...	5.5	14.7
128.10	Berisford Intl	129	...	...	...	...
941.40	Booker	443	+25	...	6.1	45.6
27.40	Borthwick	47½	-½	...	3.2	39.0
254.00	Brake Bros	501	...	6.2	1.5	20.9
74.80	Bodgen	46 †	...	1.0	2.7	∞
3,523.90	Cadbury-Schw	473	-9	...	3.5	17.6
8.10	Carrs Milling	119	+2	3.9	4.1	23.8
24.40	Cranswick	181	+10	...	5.5	13.5
4.45	Cullens	17	...	0.5	3.7	48.8
23.70	Dalepak	204	+5	6.0	3.8	∞
1,114.40	Dalgety	499	+14	19.5	5.0	14.2
4.16	Daniels S	50	-2	...	0.6	...
272.00	Devro	201½	+5½	...	3.4	19.2
25.40	Everest	101	...	...	4.3	14.0
79.70	Fairpak	353	+15	5.7	2.0	21.7
1.93	Fardingford	8	...	...	...	...
69.80	Finlay (James)	70	+1	...	7.4	23.2
279.90	Fyffes	100	...	...	1.4	18.1
275.70	Geest	384	-3	6.1	2.6	17.3
14.50	Global▲	12	+½	...	5.2	18.7
17.40	Grand Central	44	...	1.2	3.6	∞
448.70	Hazlewood Fds	194	+2	...	4.2	11.0
1,107.80	Hillsdown	161	+11	...	6.8	12.7
611.70	Iceland Group	223	-2	...	1.9	19.9
48.10	JLI Group	116	+11	4.6	5.0	∞
1,053.70	Kwik Save	682	-1	16.0	2.9	13.1
95.10	Low (Wm)	178	+2	8.4	5.9	8.6
74.50	Matthews (B)	60	+1	2.2	4.7	39.3
15.80	Merchant Retail	17½	+1½	1.1	8.2	34.3
1,091.80	Morrison (W)	153	+3	...	0.7	19.9
85.80	Nichols (JN)	543	+3	13.6	3.2	15.6
1,573.00	Nthn Foods	275	+8	...	3.8	13.7
5.73	Nrthmbrn Fn▲	12 †	+1	...	...	...
266.30	Nurdin Peack	211	...	...	3.6	12.1
129.20	Park Foods	247 †	+27	6.0	3.0	∞
106.70	Perkins Food	87	+1	...	6.3	9.4
48.20	PizzaExpress	91	+6	...	0.7	52.3
7.57	Regina Hlth▲	5½	-½	...	...	...
8,624.10	Sainsbury J	489½	+13½	...	2.6	17.0
3.56	Sentry Farm▲	83	...	...	2.3	14.9
28.20	Sims Food	95	-4	...	9.9	18.3
1,406.90	Tate & Lyle	393	-8	12.0	3.8	12.4
4,376.10	Tesco	223½	+9½	...	4.0	10.4
91.70	Thorntons	144	+1	3.6	3.2	13.4
14.30	Treats▲	150	...	...	3.0	17.0
911.80	Unigate	391	+4	...	5.1	12.8
1,982.20	Utd Biscuits	379	-2	...	5.0	18.0
15.80	Usborne	24	-1	...	3.0	∞
104.40	Watson & Phil	269	+1	13.3	6.2	14.0

HOTELS, CATERERS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2.16	Abrdn Stk H▲	18	+6	...	...	...
162.20	City Centre Rest	85	...	1.5	2.3	20.5
1,973.50	Forte	233	+14	...	4.0	18.3
23.80	Friendly Hotels	191	-7	5.7	3.7	36.4
7.69	Harmony Leis▲	9½	-½	...	...	...
28.40	Jurys Hotel	107½	...	...	6.5	∞
2,379.00	Ladbroke	208½	+9½	11.1	6.7	17.8
468.60	Mandarin Orntl	69	-2	...	4.9	17.4
439.00	Queens Moat	47½ #	...	2.8	7.6	6.3
160.50	-do- 7½% cvpr	85 #	...	7.5	11.0	...
3.60	Regal Hotels▲	1½	...	...	...	...
49.80	Resort Hotels	45 #	...	3.4	9.6	8.8
10.80	Ryan Hotels E	16½	-½	...	6.1	...
240.20	Savoy Hotel 'A'	840	...	7.0	1.0	...
225.00	Stakis	59 †	...	...	1.0	...

INDUSTRIALS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
25.80	AAF Inds	112	+7	...	9.8	6.8
437.60	AAH	499	+7	...	4.3	16.0
23.90	AIM	172 †	...	7.5	5.5	∞
320.50	APV	109	+8	...	6.2	...
153.90	ASW	230	+10	...	3.3	...
122.70	Adwest	189	+6	7.0	4.6	26.9
9.49	Aerospace Eng	25	+½	1.0	...	15.2
60.20	Airsprung	254 †	+13½	...	2.2	16.2
50.90	Alendra W	151	+2	3.8	3.1	41.7
3.20	Allied Radio	6½	...	...	...	...
80.40	Alumasc	547	+1	11.0	2.5	16.7
23.10	Alvis	42	+1½	1.0	3.0	8.6
18.60	Amber Ind	475	...	...	4.9	10.9
2.58	Amberley Gp▲	43	+2	...	3.0	...
40.90	Anagen	88	...	...	...	...
13.80	Andrews Sykes	97 †	+12	...	5.7	...
270.30	Antofagasta	903	-22	...	2.2	16.7
12.90	Armour	48	+3½	1.4	3.9	14.1
39.40	Ash & Lacy	151	-2	6.4	5.3	15.4
8.54	Ass Br Eng	3½	...	0.0	2.0	∞
136.80	Avon Rubber	518	+10	...	4.0	20.7
27.10	Assoc Nursg▲	245	...	...	0.5	15.0
68.10	Atlas Equip	655	+5	...	4.2	16.5
6.60	Ayrshire Metal	66	+13	...	...	...
723.50	BBA	179	+5	...	5.3	15.0
3.05	BLP Group▲	46	...	...	...	...
17.70	BM Gp	16	-1	5.0	...	0.7
3,017.80	BOC	634	-66	23.2	4.6	13.9
190.90	BSG	73½	+1½	...	5.4	25.6
116.00	BSS Group	448	+9	...	4.8	26.8
13,547.80	BTR	401	-2	...	3.4	22.9
85.40	BWI	179	+9	6.7	4.7	17.2
233.90	Babcock	47½	...	...	6.0	26.0
3.30	Bailey (CH)	6	...	...	...	...
309.40	Baird (Wm)	275	+13	8.9	4.0	19.1
1,227.20	Barlow Rand	625	...	...	5.5	3.5
87.00	Baynes (Charles)	63	+1	...	2.8	25.8
6.53	Beauford	8	+½	...	...	...
6.18	Beckenham▲	7	...	...	...	...
1.28	Bedford (W)▲	27	...	...	...	...
21.50	Benson Group	16½	...	0.1	0.8	15.2
139.40	Bespak	553	+40	10.0	2.3	∞
140.70	Bibby (J)	90	-4	9.7	...	5.3
4.03	Billam (J)	249	-7	5.0	2.5	12.6
2.70	Bilston Bttrsea▲	32	...	...	...	...
6.62	Bimec Ind	6	+1	0.6	...	...
34.80	Birkby	160	...	3.5	2.8	15.2
9.15	Black Arrow	37	...	2.6	9.2	∞
6.09	Black & Edgtn▲	1½	...	...	...	...
105.40	Black (Peter)	193	+17	2.9	1.8	19.9
23.60	Bluebird Toys▲	304	+19	...	1.9	19.0
162.40	Bodycote	283	+4	...	2.2	18.1
1.36	Bogod 'A'	28	...	0.7	3.2	10.3
4,930.50	Boots	475	-12	...	3.5	17.6
1.88	Booth Inds	47	...	0.7	1.9	...
2,355.50	Bowater	473	+3	11.5	3.0	18.7
501.50	Bowater Inc	1384 †	+45	...	...	...
53.30	Boxmore Intl▲	249	+4	...	1.8	18.6
11.30	Brasway	14½	...	0.5	4.5	∞
121.70	Brammer	285	+6	13.0	5.7	21.2
6.31	Bridgend Gp	21½	+1½	0.4	2.3	...
61.80	Bridon	109	+4	...	4.6	77.2
8.01	Bridport-Gndry	80	...	4.1	6.4	15.0
1,099.60	Brierley Inv	39	-½	...	8.1	9.6
28.00	Br Bldg & Eng	250	...	...	1.2	...
2.09	Br Bloodstock▲	55	+1	...	...	...
151.40	Br Polythene	508	+8	...	2.5	18.2
2,325.00	Br Steel	116½	+3	...	1.1	...
35.60	Br Syphon	105 †	-5	...	3.6	29.4
16.60	Br Thornton	16½	+2	...	2.0	...
540.40	Br Vita	251	...	7.1	3.6	15.4
73.20	Brixton Grp	14½	-1	...	1.6	...
11,315.40	Broken Hill	683	+6	...	2.7	32.4
68.70	Bromsgrve Ind	100	+1	...	5.5	13.0
2.89	Brooke Tool	7½	-½	...	...	...
16.50	Brown & Tawse	52	...	...	...	...
158.30	Bullough	132 †	+4	6.0	5.7	22.6
2.70	Business Tech▲	13	...	...	...	...
20.80	CI Group	24	...	1.0	5.2	23.1
1.95	Campbll & Arm	13½	+½	...	...	...
30.50	Cannon St	28½	-½	...	...	...
130.00	Cape	245	+2	...	5.4	16.6
146.60	Carclo Eng	244	+2	8.6	4.4	17.4
2,107.20	Carnaud Mtl	2613	+63	...	2.3	∞
3.78	Cassidy Bros▲	70 †	...	...	4.3	11.4
42.20	Castings	200	+2	4.3	2.7	14.1
11.30	Chamberlin Hill	155	+15	6.2	5.0	9.7
734.20	Charter Cons	692 †	-1	...	4.0	16.3
58.50	Chemring	300	+5	...	3.4	18.1
4.43	Chieftain Gp▲	51	+3½	5.1	...	10.6
9.67	Chillington	34	-1	0.2	0.9	...
288.20	Christies Int	180	-3	...	1.0	...
10.00	Claybithe	60 †	...	...	5.2	...
1.86	Clayton Son	85	...	...	...	...
1.22	Co Designers▲	7 #	...	0.2	...	...
5.84	Cohen (A)	315	-10	6.8	2.7	...
62.90	Community H	193	...	6.5	4.2	12.0
117.90	Concentric	218	+8	...	3.2	18.4
49.50	Cook (Wm)	226	+27	5.0	2.8	13.5
1,265.10	Cookson	226	+9	...	3.3	29.9
6.62	Copymore▲	61	...	...	2.0	18.6
64.60	Critwll Plr 'A'	160	+9	5.7	4.5	13.7
12.70	Cosalt	110	+3	10.7	...	16.7
8.39	Creighton Nt▲	183	+11	...	5.0	17.8
34.20	CrestaCare	41	-1	0.5	1.5	35.5
1,690.40	Dana	3681½	-15½	...	...	...
367.40	Danka Bs Sys	224	...	...	0.6	21.3
129.00	David Brown	243	+12	...	3.1	17.2
1.14	Davies (DY)▲	18	...	...	...	...
1,322.90	De La Rue	689	+2	...	3.1	18.3
3.44	Dinkie Heel	26	...	0.9	4.6	20.7
298.00	Diploma	535	+1	9.7	2.3	27.8
95.50	Dobson Park	78	+6	5.7	...	14.0
1.83	Dyson (J&J)	111 †	...	5.0	5.6	∞
9.04	-do- 'A'	75 †	...	5.0	8.3	∞
5.86	ERG▲	12½	...	...	...	...
178.40	EIS	405	+14	...	3.9	16.0
2.92	Elbief	23	...	...	...	...
7.25	Eleco	25	...	3.3	...	14.7
1,585.00	Electrolux 'B'	2225	-53½	...	2.5	...
14.70	Elliott (B)	60	...	...	...	...
1,402.00	Eng China Cl	465	+10	...	5.4	25.6
5,935.10	Ericsson 'B'	3162½	+212½	...	1.0	...
21.80	Eurocopy	45	...	1.6	...	17.5
50.50	Expamet	80	+4	...	5.1	1.9
265.60	Fairey Group	714	+40	10.2	1.8	22.0
34.90	Fenner	80	...	4.2	...	15.1
5.18	Ferrads Group	53	-4	...	2.4	13.4
2.04	Ferromet▲	1	...	...	...	...
6.84	Ferrum	21	-3	2.5	14.9	14.7
4.73	Fife Indmar	45	...	0.5	1.4	...
1,174.90	Fisons	170	-2	...	6.4	19.7
53.80	Fitzwilton	46	+3	...	10.1	...
70.40	Flogas	288	...	...	3.2	13.0
11.70	Folkes Group nv	38	...	1.5	4.9	21.6
8.38	French (Thomas)	70	...	3.6	6.5	35.1
129.10	Frost Group	220	+6	4.0	2.3	9.2
27.20	GEI Int	74	...	...	8.3	...
1,330.30	GKN	506	+7	...	5.1	33.2
6.06	GR Hldgs	46	...	...	5.4	...
3.58	Garton Eng	94	...	4.0	5.3	...
258.80	Gestetner	139	+13	8.2	7.4	6.1
6.83	Gieves	30	...	...	...	21.7
15,579.30	Glaxo	514	-15	17.0	4.1	14.2
8.09	Glenchewton	31	+1	...	...	...
653.00	Glynwed	317	+8	11.6	4.7	29.5
58.70	Gonde Durrant	111	+1	...	6.3	...
91.20	Grampian Hd	132	+5	5.5	5.2	22.9
1,998.40	Granada	427	+17	7.7	2.3	22.7
46.00	Great Sthrn▲	390	-4	...	3.5	14.0
7.08	Green (Ernst)▲	88	-2	...	9.9	12.2
23.80	Greenacre▲	13½	...	...	2.5	13.6
2.09	Guardian Grp▲	11	...	...	...	...
45.70	Haden MacLn	32	-1	...	4.9	18.4
5.57	Hadleigh Inds▲	77	-1	...	0.8	...
66.60	Hall Eng	228	...	8.6	4.7	19.0
426.60	Halma	290	+23	...	1.1	29.2
24.40	Hampson Ind	40	+1	1.6	5.0	∞
12,300.00	Hanson	254½	+9½	...	5.6	13.0
23.10	Harris (Philip)	206	-2	...	4.2	12.5
1,348.70	Harrisn Crsfld	194	+2	9.0	5.9	27.5
17.60	Havelock Euro	68	...	...	...	...
6.45	Hay (Norman)	43	+2	...	...	...
4.19	Headway	26	-1	0.7	3.4	13.7
3.99	Healthcare	5	...	...	20.0	1.4
807.50	Hepworth	392	+2	14.8	4.7	16.9
11.90	Hewitt (J)	210	...	3.0	1.8	16.4
1.84	High-Point	36	+1	1.3	...	...
46.50	Hill & Smith	156 †	-1	...	4.5	21.7
8.19	Hobson▲	0	...	...	...	43.3
4.49	Holders Tech▲	144	...	...	5.3	18.5
37.40	Hopkinsons	48	+1	1.3	3.4	19.9
11.60	Hornby▲	143	-2	...	7.9	13.5
226.90	Howden	81	-2	2.2	3.5	∞
238.30	Hunting	248	+3	...	5.0	20.9
110.50	Huntligh Tec▲	425	...	...	2.9	10.8
996.20	IMI	307	+8	...	4.1	26.2
40.40	ISA Intl	104	-1	1.5	1.8	16.2
37.60	Intercare Gp▲	147½	-10½	...	2.2	15.6
36.00	Isotron	242	...	3.9	2.0	15.5
3,757.80	Jardine Math	532	+18	...	2.4	19.3
930.00	Johnson Matth	491	+4	...	2.6	21.5
58.30	Johnson & FB	41½	-6½	3.0	9.0	12.8
16.10	Johnston	154	...	3.2	2.6	...
3.41	Jones Shipman	28	-2	...	...	...
5.49	Jourdan (T)	29	...	0.7	3.2	...
13.30	Kalamazoo	72 †	+½	2.1	3.6	16.7
211.20	Kalon	159½	+1	...	2.5	22.1
7.99	Kelsey Ind	260	...	13.0	...	...
182.50	Kershaw (A)	525	...	27.0	6.4	27.2
29.30	Kleeneze	211	+13	...	...	...
6.27	LGW▲	141	...	3.0	2.7	11.7
409.50	Laird	390	+13	...	3.8	17.2
30.30	Lilleshall	165	+10	...	3.4	20.1
10.30	Lincat▲	150	...	...	4.3	12.9
2.82	Lincoln Hse▲	17½	...	...	...	14.4
14.50	Linread	121	+6	3.7	3.9	18.7
28.60	Linton Park	213	-5	...	8.2	7.7
25.00	Lionheart	12½	...	0.2	2.0	...
6.30	Locker (T) A	21	...	1.0	6.0	30.5
360.20	Lon Intl	214	+15	9.4	5.5	16.4
973.20	Lonrho	127 †	...	...	3.9	...
367.00	Low & Bonar	376	+5	...	3.0	52.3
1,317.30	MB-Caradon	287	-10	...	3.8	22.2
261.90	-do- pf	145½	...	7.2	6.2	...
51.10	ML Hldgs	34	+4	...	...	...
10.60	MS Intl	39 †	+2	...	8.0	40.2
18.70	MY Holdings	45	+1	...	2.8	13.7
158.80	Macfarlane	210	+2	...	1.9	23.8
406.70	McKechnie	444	+2	14.7	4.2	22.0
60.50	McLeod Russel	100	+3	6.0	7.5	12.2
18.90	Maddox	4½	-½	...	...	23.2
4.99	Magnolia	87	+2	0.1	0.1	14.0
15.20	Mang Bronze	92	...	1.0	1.4	...
35.50	Marling	20	-1½	...	4.2	...
37.00	Mayborn▲	186	+2	...	3.4	15.4
107.00	Mayflower	54	-1	...	2.9	45.1
260.60	Medeva	95½	-20½	...	2.9	7.8
245.90	Meggitt	114	+2	...	4.1	19.4
99.60	Menzir	122	+2	...	3.7	19.8
12.10	Metsec▲	78	+2	...	...	...
35.90	Midstates	74	-2	...	1.3	10.3
7.70	Mining & Aid	24	-½	0.5	2.6	...
139.20	Molins	449	-1	...	3.9	11.7
713.30	Morgan Cble	329	+9	...	4.8	17.6
15.00	Morris Ashby▲	184	+2	...	3.7	14.0
6.50	Neepsend	27	...	0.7	3.5	35.6
44.90	Nestor-BNA	60	+3	3.1	6.6	14.3
20.30	Nobo Gp	183 †	...	4.8	3.3	∞
290.00	Norcros	166	-6	...	5.3	24.3
27.70	Novo Group	44	-1	...	3.8	13.8
145.90	Nu-Swift	330	...	...	...	∞
3.49	Office Elec Mac	57	+3	0.1	0.2	...
14.30	OMI Intl	32 †	+3	1.7	6.8	...
9.78	PCT▲	128	...	...	7.1	14.5
1.74	Pacer Systems▲	37	+1	...	10.3	...
407.10	Pentland	113	-1	...	2.8	15.4
230.50	Photo-Me	388	+3	4.4	1.4	19.8
1,179.40	Pilkington	150	+5	...	3.3	...
53.40	Plantsbrook	72	+2	3.0	5.2	11.4
201.50	Polypipe	129	+½	1.9	1.9	18.6
32.10	Porter Chadbrn	34 †	-2	...	4.6	15.6
1.73	Porth Gp▲	9	...	...	...	...
309.50	Powerscreen	359	-4	...	2.3	18.7
30.70	Prospect Inds	17½ †	-½	0.7	5.4	8.8
5.98	RPS Group▲	50	...	2.2	5.6	10.8
1.09	Radiant Metal	80	+5	...	...	...
22.50	Ramco Oil▲	128	+5	...	1.0	42.9
2,447.30	Rank Org	792	+42	31.0	4.9	21.7
13.60	Ransomes	24	+1	...	...	...
2,227.50	Reckitt Colm	594	+4	...	3.4	21.5
24.30	Record	73	...	3.6	6.2	35.9
7.40	Reece	5½	-½	...	...	...
43.00	Relyon	205	+17	4.9	3.0	24.4
126.60	Renishaw	260	+5	6.5	3.1	19.9
57.20	Renold	87	+3	...	1.4	...
6,736.40	Reuters	1531 †	-4	21.2	1.7	25.3
7.90	Rexmore	45	+6½	1.7	5.0	...
47.40	Ricardo Group	150	+12	5.7	4.8	42.2
5.53	Richard (Leics)	66	...	4.4	8.3	...
22.30	Richardson West	85	+10	3.0	4.4	21.8
7.72	Ropner	118	...	8.2	8.7	16.7
18.10	-do- 'A'	116	+2	8.2	8.9	16.4
27.40	Ross Gp	24	-2	0.6	3.4	9.8
155.40	Rotork	179	-2	...	2.6	20.7
17.40	Rubicon	155	...	...	3.3	∞
14.30	Russell (A)	61	+1	...	2.0	...
15.10	SEP Indl	24½	-½	...	3.9	22.1
645.40	SKF 'B'	1012½	+25	...	...	...
48.00	Saville Grdn (J)	48	+1	2.2	5.9	∞
537.00	Scapa	229½	+2½	...	3.1	17.5
145.80	Scholl	217	+5	...	3.6	15.8
1.79	Scot Heritable	5	...	...	...	...
42.10	Securicor	1015 †	+25	2.6	0.3	38.6
567.90	-do- 'A'	702 †	+32	2.6	0.5	26.7
659.90	Security Serv	602 †	+32	5.0	1.0	29.8
276.20	Senior Eng	115	+1	...	3.4	19.2
84.90	Seton Health	286	-4	...	2.5	16.9
3.36	Sheldon Jones▲	65	...	...	...	...
7.10	Shiloh	123	-3	2.9	2.9	13.3
165.20	Sidlaw	302 †	+7	...	4.1	19.3
2,130.10	Siebe	549	+5	...	2.3	20.3
165.70	Silentnight	351	+6	...	2.8	20.6
1,864.40	Sime Darby	119	+1	...	3.8	13.6
68.40	Simon Eng	68	-17	5.0	0.2	15.6
42.30	Sinclair (Wm)	194	-1	7.0	4.5	12.5
20.50	Six Hundred	38	+1	...	5.8	...
1,478.00	Smith & Neph	143½	-3	...	4.1	15.7
5,891.80	Smithkline	431	-18	8.6	2.5	15.5
4,997.60	Smkline Uts	381½	-15½	...	3.5	13.7
1,108.90	Smiths Ind	373	-6	11.2	3.8	15.2
57.00	Sthn Bus	59	...	3.3	7.2	5.6
42.70	Spandex▲	398	+5	...	2.0	17.7
28.90	Spear (JW)	550	...	4.0	3.2	10.1
270.20	Spirax-Sarco	357	-9½	...	3.3	22.6
238.40	Spring Ram	64½	-4½	...	0.7	17.7
289.60	Staveley	254	+14	...	4.2	14.4
44.50	Sterling Ind	159	+11	...	4.4	24.4
134.20	Stonehill	24	-½	...	...	...
201.70	Suter	185	-9	8.8	5.9	19.4
	Swire Pacific 'A'	343	+1	...	2.6	∞
5.52	Sycamore	4½	...	...	...	...
5.85	Sykes-Pick	63	...	...	7.9	12.1
22.40	Syltone	275	...	...	4.3	18.3
1,647.20	TI	355	-3	...	3.8	24.0
4.97	TLS Range▲	22	+6	...	1.4	...
282.30	TT Group	276	-1½	...	3.0	17.0
210.10	Takare	235	-3	1.8	1.0	19.5
7,451.30	Takeda Chem	852	-28	...	0.5	22.6
4.05	Tex Hldgs	6½	-6	...	...	...
6.85	Tinsley (E)▲	94 †	...	...	7.2	∞
24.20	Titon▲	215	+2	...	2.1	18.7
2,519.90	Tomkins	226 †	-15	...	3.5	20.4
1,123.40	Trafalgar H	105½	-1½	...	3.8	7.7
89.80	Transfer Tech	470	-55	16.0	4.3	11.8
112.90	Triplex Lloyd	175 †	+2	7.0	5.0	∞
321.80	UniChem	230	+10	5.6	3.1	15.1
70.20	Unidare	365	+17	...	5.4	11.9
18.90	Unigroup	61 †	-6	...	6.3	...
7,986.60	Unilever	986	-26	21.3	2.7	13.4
10,863.30	Unilever (NV)	6762½	+296½	...	3.0	11.3
329.40	VSEL	883	+3	...	4.1	9.4
11.80	Verson	8½	-½	...	...	...
528.90	Vickers	161	-6	...	1.2	...
129.80	Victaulic	295	-14	...	3.3	14.6
177.90	Vinten	436	+11	...	3.0	20.3
202.10	Vosper Thorny	654	+2	...	3.0	15.3
4.77	WSP Hldgs	45	...	...	8.1	11.7
186.90	Wagon Ind	422	+18	...	5.3	18.1
81.30	Walker Greenbk	55	-1	3.1	4.6	21.7
380.00	Wassall	249	+4	2.5	1.3	25.1
262.20	Weird Wdgwd	37	+1	...	...	...
568.40	Weir	366	-6	...	2.0	20.6
5,544.60	Wellcome	641	-35	13.0	2.5	17.7
6.43	Wellman	20	...	0.9	5.6	32.6
162.70	West Hldcare	319	+15	...	1.5	∞
113.50	Wharman	498	...	9.5	2.4	16.9
84.10	Whessoe	299	-16	...	3.5	11.2
26.20	Whitecroft	61	-3	...	...	...
4.26	Widney	7½	...	...	1.5	...
15.90	Wilkes (James)	90	+2	3.5	4.9	26.3
1,663.60	Williams Hldg	339½	+7½	12.5	4.6	17.8
27.50	Wilshaw	34	+½	...	1.9	21.2
1,613.50	Wolseley	648	-8	12.5	2.4	22.5
2.50	Wood (Arthur)	125	...	1.5	1.5	45.5
13.10	Wyko	40	...	...	3.2	...
9.28	Young (H)	56	...	3.0	6.7	20.5

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INSURANCE

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
649.40	Alex & Alex	1700	+37½	...	3.9	...
4,781.20	Am Gen	2212½	+137½	...	3.3	...
11.40	Archer (AJ)	45	...	4.4	...	21.9
76.40	Bradstock	143	...	5.1	4.5	17.5
812.30	Britannic	430	-15	...	3.3	...
3,538.80	Com Union	657	+6	...	4.7	...
105.90	Dom & Gen	1558	...	...	1.4	25.7
80.10	FAI	53	+4	...	...	...
3,152.50	Gen Accident	699	+12	26.7	4.9	...
1,870.50	GRE	215½	-9½	7.0	4.1	17.9
261.60	Heath C E	405	+15	...	4.9	...
140.40	Hogg Gp	218	...	8.1	4.7	19.8
234.90	JIB Group	213	+1	7.5	4.4	21.6
2,337.50	Legal & Gen	479	-17	...	5.0	29.1
2,197.50	Liberty Life	959 †	-37	...	3.0	16.6
2,912.90	Lloyds Abbey	433 †	+2	17.3	5.0	15.6
216.40	Lloyd Thomp	337	+6	5.6	2.1	24.8
425.60	Londn & Man	355	+9	14.2	5.0	26.1
120.50	Lowndes Lmb	439	+4	13.5	4.0	15.1
4,456.60	Marsh McLn	6075	+162½	...	3.0	...
13.40	Oriel	94	+2	...	6.6	...
20.70	PWS	66	...	4.0	7.6	9.6
6,170.10	Prudential	327½	+½	...	4.5	21.8
490.90	Refuge	955	-10	31.5	4.1	28.5
2,174.10	Royal	335	-7	...	2.4	...
865.00	Sedgwick	202	-5	6.0	3.7	24.3
118.90	Steel Burrill	254	+3	...	6.5	15.0
31.90	Sturge Hldgs	63	...	8.2	...	6.4
3,195.90	Sun Alliance	397	+9	14.2	4.5	...
100.50	Trade Indemnty	55	...	...	...	...
940.00	Transatlantic	321	...	12.0	4.8	29.2
516.00	Utd Friendly	630	-4	14.5	2.9	22.5
976.20	Willis Corroon	234	-1	...	3.5	50.3
5.24	Windsor	19	...	...	...	14.9

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
895.10	Alliance	1776	+17	45.0	3.2	38.9
217.40	Amer Trust	261	-1½	4.9	2.3	54.2
449.90	Ang & O'seas	394	+9	6.8	2.2	49.8
70.70	BZW Conv	140	+5	7.8	7.0	16.4
276.50	Bankers	178½	+4	3.4	2.4	49.1
157.50	Baring Tribne	307 †	+12	6.4	2.6	48.5
9.68	Berry Starq	186	+5	2.2	1.5	60.5
410.90	Br Assets	107	+1½	...	5.0	26.2
106.40	Br Empire Sec	80	+3½	0.8	1.4	...
3.72	-do- Wnts	28	+1½	...	...	...
577.20	Br Inv	185	+4	4.5	3.0	41.7
38.80	Contl Asset	179	+4	2.4	1.7	99.5
17.10	Derby Inc	145 †	+1	...	12.3	8.7
42.20	-do- Cap	275	+7	...	...	...
9.73	Drayton Blue	77	+9	8.4	13.6	8.6
31.40	-do- Eng Intl	76	+4	1.2	2.0	...
150.30	-do- Far East	130 †	-1	0.6	0.6	...
25.70	-do- Korea	111½	-3½	0.5	0.6	...
205.40	Dunedin Inc G	648	+24	25.4	4.9	29.8
39.40	-do- Japan	98½	+1½	...	...	...
4.32	-do- Warrants	34	+4	...	...	...
228.50	-do- Wwde	682	+24	9.5	1.7	70.3
48.70	Dundee & Lon	200	+14	...	3.9	26.8
857.90	Edinburgh	292	+2	8.4	3.6	31.9
486.10	Electra Inv	281	+14½	6.7	3.0	38.3
162.70	Electric Gen	180	+1	3.1	2.2	∞
1.69	English Scot	112	+2	...	...	...
72.60	European Asset	291 †	+6	...	2.4	37.8
28.80	Finsbury 'A'	120	+7½	3.0	3.1	38.6
190.70	Fleming Amer	288	+1	0.7	0.3	...
115.70	-do- Claver	217	+5	...	3.1	42.8
201.10	Do Contl	308	+11	2.7	1.1	...
79.20	-do- Entp	198	+6	4.7	3.0	∞
488.40	-do- F East	323	+22	1.1	0.4	...
39.30	-do- Fledg	312	+11	3.0	1.2	...
29.40	-do- HI Inc	103	+4	...	5.3	17.6
294.00	-do- Japan	255	+11	0.3	0.2	...
407.50	-do- Merc	282	+12	6.7	3.0	60.4
373.20	-do- Ovsas	281	+8	4.0	1.8	67.1
1,329.50	Foreign & Col	253	+6½	...	1.7	68.6
124.50	-do- Eurotst	211	+3	1.2	0.7	...
45.60	-do- German	116	+4	0.5	0.5	...
328.00	-do- Pacific	308	+14	1.9	0.8	...
138.30	-do- Smaller	155	+½	1.8	1.5	78.4
167.20	GT Japan	288	+17	...	0.5	...
26.10	Genl Cons Cap	144	+4	...	...	...
42.70	-do- Inc	118	+3	...	9.3	11.8
35.70	Govett Am Smlr	143	+8	...	...	...
557.10	-do- Oriental	310	+18	0.9	0.4	...
269.10	-do- Strategy	274	+10	...	3.1	37.4
44.50	Greenfriar	387 †	+3	...	2.1	58.1
0.82	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
48.80	Independent Inv	53½	+½	0.6	1.4	∞
343.90	Inv Cap	139 †	+5	5.1	4.6	29.0
27.80	KIS UK Smlr	95	+2	2.8	3.6	26.8
158.80	Kleinwort Cht	190	+4	5.0	3.2	58.1
182.10	-do- O'seas	227	+3	3.3	1.8	64.1
17.50	-do- Smlr	125	+3	4.0	4.0	30.3
151.90	Law Debenture	669	+15	18.2	3.4	23.1
99.20	Majedie	189	...	...	2.1	36.6
276.20	Merchants	270	+8	10.6	4.9	25.1
6,217.30	Merrill Lynch	1050 †	+243½	...	...	...
367.00	Monks Inv Tst	473	+11	...	1.8	59.9
31.50	Morg Gren Inc	129	+1	...	4.5	25.6
2.24	Do Warrants	46	+8	...	...	...
16.50	Murray Euro	55	+5	0.1	0.4	...
1.02	Do Wts	17	+2	...	...	...
281.60	Murray Income	336	+1	...	4.0	32.0
389.40	-do- Intl	324	+10	11.4	4.4	29.2
204.80	-do- Small	365 †	+13	4.2	1.4	∞
5.11	-do- S/C Inc	93 †	...	...	14.2	9.1
5.27	-do- S/C Cap	134	+15	...	...	...
1.53	-do- S/C Uts	2950 †	...	...	4.5	...
9.13	-do- S/C DF	152½	+2½	...	...	...
73.10	-do- Ventr	296	+14	...	4.3	23.4
86.00	New Frontier	80	-1	0.2	0.4	...
30.50	Nwthrog Inc	78	-1	6.7	10.8	14.6
124.60	O'seas Inv Tst	327	+3	2.8	1.1	...
79.60	Pacific Assets	402	+1	1.1	0.3	...
11.80	Do Warrants	306	+1½	...	...	...
12.60	Personal Assets	8300	+50	...	2.4	49.6
278.20	RIT Cap Ptnr	155	+1	...	0.9	...
25.10	River & Merc	125	+2	9.2	9.4	12.2
	Robeco	403	...	...	3.1	...
	Rolinco	403	...	...	1.9	...
94.60	St Andrew Inv	275	+7	7.5	3.5	36.6
345.20	Scot American	153½	+4½	...	3.8	32.2
46.20	Scot Asian	220	+7	...	...	...
3.45	do Warrants	493	-10	...	...	...
300.50	-do- Eastern	70	+3	1.5	2.4	51.9
564.60	Scottish	218	+6	4.6	2.6	45.2
779.10	-do- Mige	216	+8½	4.0	2.3	56.1
43.30	-do- Value	90½	+1	...	2.5	64.5
302.60	Second Alnce	1576	+30	36.5	2.9	42.3
277.10	Secs Tst of Scot	86½	+1	3.2	4.7	28.6
43.90	Selective Asset	152	+3	1.2	1.0	54.7
38.20	Sphere Inv	31½	+2	3.1	12.6	0.9
73.90	TR Far East	159	-9	4.5	3.6	34.6
288.70	TR City Of Lon	151	+4½	4.8	4.0	∞
109.50	TR Pacific	163½	+11	0.3	0.3	...
88.90	TR Property	31½	+2½	0.9	3.6	32.8
36.50	TR Tech Inv	83	+4	1.7	2.6	30.8
342.10	TR Smlr Cos	192 †	+11	3.8	2.5	∞
198.80	Temple Bar	347	+8	13.2	4.8	25.8
95.00	Thrmtn Asian E	95	+5	0.5	0.7	...
271.80	Throgmorton	73 †	+1	2.3	3.9	29.8
18.70	Throg Dual Cp	535	+2	...	...	...
80.90	USDC Invest	221	+6	4.5	2.5	40.7
45.60	Value Inc Tst	107½	-4½	3.6	4.2	27.0
417.10	Whitbread Inv	661	+35	16.5	3.1	39.8
791.90	Witan	211 †	+3	5.6	3.3	37.0

LEISURE

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
347.80	Airtours	378	-1	7.2	2.4	13.4
38.30	Alld Leis	60	-2	4.7	...	17.2
147.40	Anglia TV	332	-1	...	3.5	15.4
13.30	Baldwin	73	-4	3.0	5.3	9.7
22.90	Barr & W 'A'	231	+2	10.0	5.4	14.9
48.60	Boosey Hwks	1195	...	22.0	2.3	17.0
13.90	Border TV▲	136	...	...	3.1	∞
24.00	Brent Walker	8½	+3	...	...	...
2.96	Bristol Scotts	53	...	...	...	...
6.33	Buckingham Int	5½	...	...	...	...
14.40	Campari	138	+1	...	10.9	...
145.80	Capital Radio	205	+5	5.2	3.2	23.7
1,572.10	Carlton Comm	790	+26	17.0	2.7	23.3
10.90	Castle Comm▲	175	-1	...	6.1	16.0
528.00	Central TV	1963	-10	38.0	2.4	21.4
18.00	Chrysalis	68	...	...	...	...
483.80	Compass Gp	540	+9	...	3.0	16.2
59.70	Eurocamp	227	+17	9.7	5.4	9.4
1,249.50	Euro Disney	735	+47	...	1.5	...
8.90	Euro Leisure	5½	+1½	...	...	...
23.60	Ex-Lands	54	+1	...	...	...
9.28	Fairline Boats	265	-1	10.5	5.0	...
345.70	First Leisure	335	+5	6.1	2.3	23.0
15.60	GWR Gp▲	509	+4	...	1.7	26.2
32.40	Grampian	230	+2	6.1	3.3	15.9
0.98	Greenwich Com▲	14	...	...	...	...
38.70	HTV Group	56	+4	...	...	24.9
20.70	Hi-Tec Sports	45	-3	...	5.6	...
27.10	Kunick	11½	+½	...	...	...
414.50	LWT CP	468	-4	...	1.3	21.6
57.10	Man Utd	468	+33	18.0	4.8	16.1
129.70	Owners Abrd	79½	+13½	3.5	5.6	6.3
26.60	The Pelican Gp	66 †	+3	...	2.1	∞
10.90	Prism Leisure▲	135	-5	...	3.0	12.5
6.78	Quadrant Grp	29	...	...	...	...
27.00	Radio Clyde▲	300	+5	...	3.5	23.5
10.60	Ramsdens (H)	177 †	+11	...	3.2	23.5
251.50	Scot TV	524	+3	9.9	2.4	25.8
11.10	Southern Radio	39	+1	0.7	2.5	16.2
110.60	Stanley Leisure	248	...	4.3	2.2	∞
6.90	Sunleigh ▲	7½	-1½	...	...	...
6.86	Sunset & Vine	120	...	3.5	3.6	14.0
647.30	Tanjong	345½	...	...	0.4	∞
21.10	Ticketing▲	2½	+½	...	...	...
16.00	Tottenham Hot	100	...	...	...	3.2
21.90	Trans World▲	55	...	...	1.8	28.1
49.90	Ulster TV	475	...	10.0	2.6	14.6
71.60	Vardon	98	+1	0.7	1.0	23.1
38.60	Wembley	15	+½	0.2	1.7	...
10.40	Whitegate	36	...	...	...	...
109.90	Yorkshire TV	218	+20	12.0	6.9	6.6
7.87	Zetters Gp	120	...	8.0	8.6	∞

MINING

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,098.70	Am Gold	4550	-365½	...	4.6	21.9
368.40	Ang Am Coal	1462½	+25	...	6.3	7.3
4,990.20	Ang Am	2150	+50	...	3.3	17.7
20.60	Anglo Pac Res▲	26½	-3	...	...	...
27.10	Blyvoors	113	-11	...	5.4	6.2
4.13	Bracken	29½	+½	...	...	1.5
68.30	Buffels	621	-36	...	10.6	∞
4.71	Butte	2	-½	...	...	...
4,034.60	CRA	680	+27	...	3.1	21.9
23.60	Cluff Res	32½	-1	...	...	...
4,895.10	De Beers	1287½	+62½	...	3.7	17.4
116.00	Deelkraal	116½	-10½	...	1.7	∞
20.60	Doornfontein	51½	-2½	...	...	...
1,389.20	Driefontein	681	-35	...	4.5	∞
11.60	Durban	497	-72	...	...	...
54.60	E Rand Gold	119	-16	...	9.9	3.3
34.50	E Rand Prop	210	-8	...	...	...
445.20	Elandsrand	499	+11	...	2.7	10.7
817.20	FS Cons	694	-26	...	7.4	8.2
11.60	FS Dev	52	-13	...	...	...
1,371.90	GFSA	1423	-27	...	2.8	22.4
2,146.80	Gencor	156	+4	...	6.3	12.1
252.70	GM Kalgoorli	50½	-2½	...	2.7	12.4
11.30	Greenwich R 'A'	14½	-½	...	...	...
11.80	Grootvlei	103	-24	...	10.2	6.0
82.90	Harmony	308½	-9½	...	...	...
319.20	Hartes	285	-13	...	6.9	∞
29.90	Inco▲	14½	+1½	...	...	...
515.00	Impala Plat	828	-136	...	...	18.6
8.76	Kenmare Res▲	8½	+½	...	...	...
154.30	Kinross	857	-47	...	5.9	9.4
849.60	Kloof	613	-99	...	3.6	∞
15.10	Leslie	94½	-7½	...	4.4	9.4
23.60	Loraine	144	-37	...	...	...
133.10	Lydenburg	840	...	...	...	24.1
1,504.60	MIM	107½	+2½	...	2.1	49.1
1,911.80	Minorco	1116	+26	...	3.6	12.4
827.50	Nth Brkn Hill	130	-3	...	3.8	20.1
396.80	Orange Free	1762½	-81½	...	7.5	13.4
7,086.40	RTZ	686	+9	...	3.8	25.8
91.30	Rand Mines	612½	+6½	...	9.6	2.8
29.00	Randfontein	489	-55	...	6.1	∞
350.00	Renison	176	+10	...	2.6	17.1
1,284.50	Rustnbrg	1025	-46½	...	3.5	∞
46.20	St Helena	480	-31	...	5.1	9.6
456.80	Southvaal	1757	-110	...	3.3	30.4
11.60	Stilfontein	89	-5	...	7.1	15.4
28.30	Unisel	101	-25	...	3.1	9.7
5,821.70	Vaal Reefs	4887½	-362½	...	4.5	8.4
165.10	Welkom	467	-14	...	7.2	13.8
93.90	Western Areas	233	-42	...	3.1	∞
540.40	Western Deep	1950	-215½	...	3.2	8.9
2,552.40	Wstrn Mining	260	+3	...	...	...
108.50	Winkels	891	+54	...	1.1	7.3
73.50	Zambia Copper	60	...	...	...	...
82.00	Zandpan	63	...	...	4.9	∞

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
4.66	Abbey Panels	233	...	...	...	...
10.70	Airflow Stream	125	...	3.0	3.0	12.0
66.40	Applegard	145	+4	5.2	4.5	...
13.90	Blackley Mtr	288	+10	...	3.7	15.1
24.00	Bostrom	152	+1	6.0	4.9	26.9
1,731.20	Br Aerospace	458	+23	7.0	1.9	...
54.10	Brundene	48 †	-1	...	3.1	12.8
12.20	Caffyns	368	+25	11.5	3.9	74.5
13.90	Cavendale	9½	-½	...	...	...
17.80	Central Mtr▲	133	...	...	3.8	33.6
11.50	Cook (DC)▲	27	...	...	2.8	∞
368.80	Cowie (T)	261	+5	6.2	3.0	19.7
21.50	Dag Motors	119	+1	5.7	6.0	21.5
28.40	Davnprt Vern	145	+3	...	3.5	18.3
29.10	ERF	297	+12	2.0	0.8	...
48.40	European Mtr	129 †	...	...	3.4	18.1
74.80	Evans Halshaw	348	+9	11.2	4.0	53.6
201.20	FR Group	269	+8	...	3.3	12.5
17,419.70	Ford Motor	3568½	+56½	...	...	...
22,883.70	General Mtr	3227½	-3½	...	1.6	...
5.71	Gowrings	63	...	2.0	4.0	...
70.80	Henlys	200	+10	3.0	1.9	...
8,558.30	Honda Motor	879	+3	...	0.6	...
3.03	Jacks (Wm)	28	...	...	...	...
7.97	Jessups	94	+1	4.5	6.0	...
279.90	Kwik-Fit	163	...	...	2.6	29.1
388.10	Lex Service	412	+12	...	3.3	22.3
29.10	Lookers	152	-6	6.2	5.2	...
1,083.70	Lucas	153	+5	7.0	5.7	...
20.90	Malaya Grp	23½	+½	...	...	...
104.50	Pendragon	271	+10	...	3.1	21.9
36.80	Perry Gp	196	+5	6.0	3.8	...
40.50	Quicks Group	177	+1	...	3.2	22.6
1,572.90	Rolls-Royce	162	+15	...	3.9	...
1,007.20	T & N	218	+10	...	6.2	34.9
94.20	Trinity Hldgs	193	+2	...	3.6	∞
71.00	Vardy (Reg)	157	+1	4.2	3.3	∞
205.60	Westland	216	-12	4.2	2.5	19.1

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
21.60	Adscene	146	+3	4.0	3.4	15.6
3.21	Black (A&C)	338	+3	13.5	5.0	13.9
422.70	Blenheim Gp	458	-7	...	2.5	17.1
55.40	Bristol	340	...	...	4.3	30.7
490.00	Daily Mail	9800	+375	13.0	1.7	22.1
487.50	Daily Mail 'A'	9750	+350	13.0	1.7	22.0
178.10	Dorling Kind	289	+3	...	1.3	27.6
396.80	EMAP	344	+5	...	2.9	21.2
212.00	Euromoney Pb	1053	-5	29.5	3.5	23.7
19.50	Harrington E	204	-4	4.5	2.8	16.7
39.20	Haynes Pub	383	...	6.0	2.0	16.5
120.80	Hodder H'line	350	+6	3.0	1.6	29.8
13.90	Home Counts	139	-1	6.0	5.4	...
20.40	Intl Bus Comm	134	-5	...	...	19.4
5.17	Int Cm & Dta▲	7½	-½	...	...	...
294.10	Independent	375	+10	...	3.1	18.6
169.70	Johnstne Press	351	...	6.2	1.4	23.8
30.80	Metal Bulletin	316	+28	8.0	3.2	22.1
683.40	Mirror Gp	170½	+13½	...	...	...
7,371.80	News Corp	410	+16	...	0.3	27.6
1,719.70	News Intl	249	+5	...	0.5	17.2
2,652.30	Pearson	484	+15	...	3.1	20.5
74.90	Portsmth Sund	624	...	...	1.9	17.2
3,719.40	Reed Int	663	+11	...	3.2	28.6
21.40	Southnews	141	-1	...	1.8	26.1
52.40	Sterling Pub▲	160	...	...	2.4	17.4
511.90	Telegraph	382	-1	...	3.6	16.0
4,983.10	Thomson Corp	805	+10	25.4	4.0	∞
258.30	Trinity Intl	372	...	8.7	2.9	23.3
1.82	Unit Group▲	34	-2	...	...	...
1,362.70	Utd Nwspaprs	561	+12	...	4.8	16.6

OILS, GAS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
94.00	Aran Energy	33½	+4½	...	...	32.6
22.00	Arcon Intl▲	38	...	...	...	...
	Aus Oil & Gas	64½	-2	...	...	...
22.10	Aviva Pet	70	-2	...	...	...
4.35	Beverley	12½	...	...	...	...
87.80	Br Borneo	195	+9	7.1	4.6	5.9
14,370.70	British Gas	332½	+24½	14.2	5.3	16.1
16,634.50	Br Petroleum	305½	+3½	10.5	4.3	23.8
13.70	Bula Resources	1½	...	...	...	...
1,434.50	Burmah Castrl	759	+16	...	4.2	17.7
34.30	Cairn Energy	53	-2	...	...	7.6
435.30	Calor Gp	283	-3	...	5.9	21.1
199.10	Clyde Pet	50	+1	...	...	...
42.50	Coplex Res	42	...	...	...	...
3.26	Edin Oil & Gs▲	19½	+1	...	...	...
2,050.60	Enterprise	429	-22	16.0	4.7	53.0
37.00	Exp Co Louis	35	-5	...	...	...
61.10	Fairhaven Intl	25	+1½	...	2.3	8.9
75.10	Goal Pet	56	...	1.4	3.1	10.7
37.10	Gt Western Res	41	+1	...	...	...
163.70	Hardy O & G	146	-1	...	0.9	13.5
56.60	Kell Energy	40	...	...	...	...
1,016.10	LASMO	135½	-1½	3.3	3.0	27.5
5.60	-do- Units	79	...	9.4	15.0	...
26.00	Mid Sun Res▲	12½	-½	...	...	...
294.00	Monument	44½	+2	...	...	71.3
8.44	New London	7	+1	...	...	...
14.60	Nth Sea Assets	28	...	1.0	4.5	9.7
91.80	Oil Search	30	...	...	...	...
	Petroz	15	...	...	...	...
61.90	Pict Pet	120	-2	...	...	16.7
133.70	Premier	24½	+½	...	...	9.0
79.20	Presidio	115	...	...	5.3	...
339.70	Ranger	345	+35	...	4.6	...
35,313.40	Royal Dtch Pl	6587½	+221½	...	4.6	16.4
10,415.20	Schlumberger	4300	+140½	...	1.9	...
27.20	Seafield	53	...	...	...	...
21,895.60	Shell	660½	+21½	21.9	4.1	20.3
5.24	Sunrise Eng SV	179	...	...	...	...
21.40	Triton Europe	26	...	...	...	5.9
6.05	Villers Grp	12	...	...	...	...
1,053.30	Woodside	158	+8½	...	2.3	...

PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
23.00	AG Holdings	128	...	...	5.1	11.6
64.50	API	303	...	7.5	3.1	26.4
1,638.20	Arjo Wiggins	202	+1	...	4.0	19.8
77.80	Abbott Mead	519	+4	9.3	2.2	26.9
3.51	Acsis Group	1½	...	...	...	...
58.90	Aegis Gp	35	+1	...	4.9	...
17.50	Aspen Comm▲	135	-15	...	4.6	12.1
1.06	BBB Design▲	13	...	...	...	...
97.00	Beinrose	385	+6	...	3.8	15.8
2.49	Birkdale	14	-1	0.2	1.8	11.9
567.10	Bunzl	134	+1	4.0	3.7	20.2
33.90	CIA Gp	300	+8	...	1.8	18.9
58.10	Capital Inds	278	+6	...	1.8	20.8
5.24	City of Lon▲	68	...	...	7.1	12.5
18.70	Cropper (Jmes)	232	...	3.1	1.7	22.4
3.66	Crown Com▲	6 #	...	...	...	...
7.54	Delyn Pckging	89	-2	1.6	2.3	12.0
24.50	Dolphin Pack	104	+1	4.5	5.4	25.7
8.38	Dudley Jenkins▲	73	...	...	5.5	16.1
24.70	Elswick	12	-½	...	3.1	15.4
20.40	Fairway Group▲	66	-1	3.1	6.1	19.1
104.00	Ferguson Intl	318	+4	...	4.9	14.4
14.20	Ferry Pick	105	...	...	6.7	28.3
29.10	Filofax▲	130	+12	...	1.2	16.7
5.51	Finch	15½	...	...	...	...
10.70	Gibbon Lyons▲	119	+7	...	5.3	13.4
75.50	Gold Greenless	287	...	8.3	3.7	∞
3.59	Goodhead	24	...	0.5	2.6	...
28.90	Hunterprint	50	-4	...	...	...
8.58	Intereurope	160	-5	7.4	5.9	10.5
79.80	Jarvis Porter	251	+4	...	2.3	...
13.80	Lopex	26	-2	...	...	...
96.90	More O'Ferrall	300	+2	13.2	5.5	35.9
47.80	NMC Group	120	+14	2.0	2.1	18.6
7.75	Osborne & Little	128	+3	...	4.5	14.6
321.10	Portals	497	+19	...	3.6	17.0
41.90	Quarto	253	-2	5.3	2.6	13.9
302.30	St Ives Gp	306	-4	5.2	2.1	20.8
356.20	Saatchi	162	-9	...	...	...
590.10	Sappi	393	-67	...	9.4	7.6
4.58	Serif▲	18½	...	...	...	...
20.60	Shandwick	25	...	...	...	...
602.90	Smith David	390 †	+4	...	3.2	30.4
1,196.10	Smurfit (Jeff)	245	-4	...	2.9	16.6
1.36	Sonic	68	+3	1.5	2.8	27.9
49.20	Star-Plus	229	...	8.0	4.4	20.4
58.50	Taylor Nelson	26½	+1½	0.3	1.4	22.5
4.97	VTR▲	68	+3	...	6.2	19.4
404.10	WPP	89	-1	...	1.4	3.3
104.60	Wace	140	...	...	2.0	...
204.80	Waddington (J)	255	+10	...	3.9	19.1
236.00	Wassnough	713	+5	11.5	2.0	28.0
6.39	Westport▲	5½	-½	...	...	∞
1.79	Whinney Mck▲	25	-1	...	...	...
12.80	Wood (SW)	78	+6	...	2.0	16.7

PROPERTY

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
64.00	Allied Lon	92	+4	3.5	4.8	79.4
5.49	Arcadian	62	-1	...	...	...
73.80	Asda	94	-2	...	2.8	9.9
58.20	Avonside	134	+2	4.0	3.7	18.7
7,044.80	BCE▲	2300	+50	...	...	...
264.80	Bilton	606	+4	18.9	3.9	21.9
7.05	Bourne End	82	+6	1.0	1.5	...
304.60	Bradford	212	-4	5.4	3.2	21.5
4.59	Bredero	12½	+2	...	...	...
1,100.60	Br Land	366	+1	...	2.4	33.3
549.10	Brixton	237	+3	...	4.4	18.8
130.10	Burford	70	-1	...	2.1	...
47.80	Cap & Regnl▲	160	+2	...	0.9	...
4.80	Cardiff Prop	185 †	...	2.4	1.6	...
76.30	Chesterfield	408	+8	11.0	3.4	29.2
5.09	City Site Ests	33	-1	1.4	...	...
4.33	Clarke Nickolls	21	...	...	...	...
25.80	Conrad Rbist GS	48	+2	...	1.3	...
193.60	Daejan	1188	+8	27.0	2.9	∞
4.19	Dares Estates	2½	...	...	...	...
37.20	Debenhm Twsn	85	+3	...	4.4	16.6
3.78	De Morgan	8	...	...	...	...
23.40	Dencora	131	...	3.0	2.9	...
56.30	Derwent Hldgs	483	+5	8.6	2.2	60.2
45.10	Development Sec	38½	...	...	...	...
13.30	Dwyer	52	...	...	...	...
15.60	Estates Agency	260	...	3.0	...	23.8
4.06	Estates Gen	19	+1	...	...	...
139.90	Evans Of Leeds	211	+2	...	2.7	18.6
13.90	Five Oaks	29½	...	...	...	...
5.12	Fletcher King	61	+1	1.0	2.0	40.4
223.90	Frogmore	446	+21	...	4.2	25.9
38.40	Grainger	193	+9	5.2	3.4	43.1
613.30	Gr Portland	201	-1	...	6.2	19.2
16.70	Greycoat	19	-½	5.2	...	...
3,842.00	HK Land	143	-2	...	4.6	19.5
226.70	Hambro Cntyw	69	...	...	...	...
200.60	Hammerson	377	+15	10.0	3.3	38.1
673.00	-do- 'A'	350	+19	10.0	3.6	35.4
40.30	Helical Bar	348	-1	...	2.4	8.9
27.50	Hemingway	29	-1	...	...	...
9.92	Herring Baker	62	-3	3.7	7.6	15.6
2.76	Jermyn	138	...	...	...	...
3,410.40	Land Sec	674	+25	22.8	4.2	20.3
251.70	Lon Merch Sec	104 †	+5	4.0	4.8	∞
2.27	Lon & Metro	4	...	...	...	...
1,925.50	MEPC	496	+14	...	5.0	21.3
5.42	McInerney A	9 #	...	...	...	...
36.70	McKay Secs	135	+5	3.5	3.3	∞
6.72	Markheath	5½	-½	0.5	...	...
5.81	Merivale Mre	42	-4	1.0	...	...
1.32	Merlin Ind	5 #	...	...	...	...
4.18	Moorfield Est	38	...	...	...	...
58.80	Mountview	1200	...	20.0	2.1	11.9
156.20	Muckiow (A&J)	160	-15	5.9	4.6	22.5
6.32	Olives Prop	37	...	1.5	5.1	...
5.00	Ossory Est	5½	-½	0.1	...	1.6
163.90	PSIT	135	+5	4.1	3.9	26.2
217.10	Peel	272	+11	4.0	1.9	∞
8.14	Power Corp	7	...	...	...	0.8
7.21	Property Trust	38	-3	...	...	...
13.40	Raglan	43	-2	...	...	...
22.80	Regalian	19½	-½	...	...	...
16.20	Rowlinson Secs	130	...	1.5	1.5	34.5
42.00	St Modwen Prp	36 †	+½	0.6	2.1	27.4
22.60	Savills	61 †	+5	...	2.0	24.1
84.50	Scot Met	87	+6	1.5	...	...
24.10	Shaftesbury	99	-4	...	...	...
0.92	Shield	9½	-½	...	...	5.0
915.30	Slough Estates	238	+11	...	4.3	16.6
62.70	Southend Prop	68 †	+9	4.2	7.8	∞
36.50	Stanhope Prps▲	22	+1	...	...	...
81.90	Tops Ests	178	+4	2.1	1.5	62.9
124.60	Town Centre	123	...	3.1	3.2	23.0
52.10	Trafford Park	77	-1	2.5	4.2	20.6
4.59	UK Land	7	-1	...	...	...
9.67	Union Square	5	...	...	...	...
121.50	Warner	250	+5	10.5	5.3	22.9
72.20	Warnford	188	...	7.5	5.1	13.4
3.01	Waterglade	3	+½	...	...	...
96.00	Wates	80	+3	0.7	1.2	...
5.50	Wood John D▲	67	...	...	...	...

SHOES, LEATHER

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
0.86	Automagic▲	15	...	...	...	...
50.00	Headlam	147 †	+1	...	2.2	33.2
19.00	Lambert	315	...	13.0	5.2	7.7
11.90	Pittards	55	+3	2.0	4.5	15.7
46.00	Strong & Fisher	27	...	1.0	4.6	7.5
35.00	Stylo	183	-1	...	2.1	68.9
13.00	UK Safety	61	+2	...	23.8	2.0

TEXTILES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
140.40	Allied Text	491	-5	12.6	3.2	15.6
7.94	Beckman (A)	65	+2	4.7	...	12.9
3.01	Bolton Gp	32	+3	...	...	16.3
22.60	Br Mohair	170	...	8.5	6.2	15.9
2.49	Charnwell▲	40	...	...	...	...
133.40	Claremont Ga	331	...	7.2	2.7	30.7
568.60	Courtauld Text	363	+3	13.6	3.0	15.4
5.20	Cupid▲	29	...	...	...	...
342.80	Dawson	220	+1	...	5.1	16.7
5.85	Drummond	36	+2	...	...	...
8.48	Dunkeld	28 #	...	...	...	...
9.35	Faupel▲	81	...	...	7.6	12.5
2.29	Foster (John)	20	...	...	...	...
5.63	Gaskell	116	...	4.2	4.6	...
31.80	Hicking Pntcst	193	+2	...	2.6	15.0
4.15	Jerome (S)	55	+1	...	...	...
100.80	Lamont	336	+9	12.0	4.5	22.2
92.20	Leeds	485	+7	...	1.9	23.4
6.09	Lister	37	...	0.1	0.3	...
6.39	Lyles (S)	88	...	4.9	7.0	10.0
40.10	Magellan	161	+4	1.4	1.1	...
8.89	Parkland 'A'	155	+6	2.0	1.6	...
186.50	Readicut	97	+3½	...	4.4	18.3
1.85	SEET	46	+3	...	...	...
53.00	Sirdar	99	...	5.1	6.5	17.4
59.60	Stirling Gp	69	...	1.8	3.4	16.6
31.60	Stoddard	45	+1	...	4.2	41.8
18.70	Tomkinsons	300	...	11.5	4.8	25.9
5.84	West Trust	36	...	...	8.7	...
17.90	Yorklyde	182	...	...	3.6	11.9

TOBACCOS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
14,303.40	BAT	465 †	+12	...	5.0	13.9
3,962.80	Rothmans 'B'	655	-13	11.5	2.2	11.0

TRANSPORT

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
859.70	Assoc Br Ports	459	+10	...	2.3	...
3,967.50	BAA	781	-17	...	2.6	19.4
3,278.30	Br Airways	352½	+12½	...	3.8	19.4
21.20	Clarkson (H)	93	+5	1.5	2.0	...
26.30	Davies Newman	23 #	...	...	...	...
1,249.50	Eurotunnel Uts	468	+12	...	...	...
12.10	Fisher (James)	49	...	1.0	2.6	13.2
12.60	Graig	157	...	...	0.8	∞
29.90	Ioid Steam	199	+1	...	5.0	10.4
7.37	Jacobs (JI)	32	...	0.5	2.0	...
11.60	Lon O'Seas Frts	77	-½	...	1.6	15.1
112.00	Manchstr Sh	2800	+25	4.5	0.2	15.3
230.80	Mersey Docks	384	+2	7.5	2.4	24.6
97.00	Natl Express	245	+3	...	3.6	17.0
1,429.30	NFC	258 †	+1	6.5	3.2	19.6
492.80	Ocean Group	320	+4	...	3.8	26.9
23.40	Ocean Wilson	59	...	4.0	8.5	10.7
3,754.20	P & O Dfd	668	-1½	...	5.7	30.2
102.00	P & O 5 1/2%	153	...	...	4.5	...
300.60	Powell Duffryn	548	+8	...	5.2	21.2
13.40	Seacon▲	138	...	...	4.6	8.7
162.00	Stagecoach	135	...	...	3.5	∞
70.80	TIP Europe	42	...	1.4	4.2	10.2
308.10	TNT	54½	+4½	...	...	...
324.10	Tibbett & Britn	745	-5	11.8	2.0	28.6
264.20	Tiphook	244 †	+8	19.3	9.0	...
389.00	TDG	269	-5	...	4.5	8.7

WATER

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,509.60	Anglian Water	510	-22	...	5.2	10.4
415.20	Northumbrian	616	-28	...	4.6	6.3
1,909.80	North West	512	+24½	...	5.2	9.1
1,863.50	Severn Trent	522	+23	...	5.1	8.4
911.30	Sthrn Water	547	+34	...	4.9	9.1
85.40	Sth Staffs	1525	+37	47.0	3.9	10.4
675.70	South West	541	+23	...	5.5	8.9
2,028.00	Thames Water	520	+19	...	5.0	10.2
878.80	Welsh Water	609	+27	...	4.8	8.1
758.90	Wessex Water	613	+25	...	4.4	9.2
1,053.60	Yorkshire W	530	+28	...	5.0	9.0

Source: Finstat

▲ USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; † Ex scrip; † Ex rights issue; † Ex all; † Ex capital distribution; ∞ Figures or report awaited; ... No significant data.

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
600	Fund 6% 1993	100 †	...	6.00	...
1,065	Treas 13¼% 1993	102½	-⅛	13.46	5.42
2,100	Treas 8½% 1994	101½	-⅛	8.38	5.47
950	Treas 14½% 1994	104½ †	-⅛	13.83	5.41
1,100	Exch 13½% 1994	105⅛	-⅛	12.80	5.40
1,900	Treas 10% 1994	103⅝	-⅛	9.65	5.37
1,240	Exch 12¼% 1994	107⅛ †	-⅛	11.68	5.34
1,900	Treas 9% 1994	104⅛	-⅛	8.63	5.36
2,350	Treas 12% 1995	109	-⅛	11.01	5.42
214	Gas 3% 1990-95	96⅞	+⅛	3.09	4.84
2,500	Exch 10¼% 1995	108⅛	...	9.45	5.55
840	Treas 12¾% 1995	114½	+⅛	11.11	5.64
770	Treas 14% 1996	118½	...	11.83	5.80
1,150	Treas 15¼% 1996	122½	+⅛	12.41	5.96
800	Exch 13¼% 1996	118½	+⅛	11.21	5.90
3,409	Conv 10% 1996	111⅛	+⅛	8.98	6.05
1,290	Treas 13¼% 1997	121⅛	+⅛	10.92	6.22
3,700	Exch 10½% 1997	113⅜ xd	+⅛	9.26	6.17
5,550	Treas 8¾% 1997	108⅜ xd	+⅛	8.03	6.21
830	Exch 15% 1997	130½	+⅛	11.47	6.48
3,550	Exch 9¾% 1998	112⅞	+⅛	8.65	6.38
3,250	Treas 7¼% 1998	103⅞	+⅛	6.98	6.27
1,200	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	101⅛	+⅛	6.67	6.45
970	Treas 14% 1998-01	129	+⅛	10.85	6.75

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
935	Treas 15½% 1998	138⅞	+⅛	11.23	6.58
3,909	Exch 12% 1998	122⅞ xd	+⅛	9.76	6.71
1,900	Treas 9½% 1999	113⅜	+⅛	8.39	6.52
3,050	Exch 12¼% 1999	125⅛	+⅛	9.79	6.76
1,252	Treas 10½% 1999	118⅛	+⅛	8.89	6.64
1,798	Conv 10¼% 1999	117⅛	+⅛	8.69	6.62
4,758	Conv 9% 2000	112⅜ xd	+⅛	8.01	6.60
3,171	Treas 13% 2000	132⅝	+1⅛	9.80	6.94
4,406	Treas 10% 2001	118 †	+1⅛	8.47	6.88
6,527	Treas 9¾% 2002	118⅛ †	+1⅛	8.25	7.00
4,350	Treas 8% 2003	108	+1⅛	7.41	6.86
2,503	Treas 10% 2003	121⅛ xd	+1⅛	8.26	7.04
1,620	Treas 11½% 2001-04	124⅞ xd	+1⅛	9.20	7.17
543	Fund 3½% 1999-04	79⅞	+1⅛	4.38	6.02
3,412	Conv 9½% 2004	117⅛	+1⅛	8.08	7.18
4,842	Conv 9½% 2005	117⅛	+1⅛	8.07	7.20
2,200	Treas 12½% 2003-05	136⅛	+1⅛	9.19	7.41
2,000	Treas 8% 2002-06	105½	+1½	7.56	7.29
3,150	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	129⅛	+1⅛	9.08	7.37
5,497	Treas 8½% 2007	110⅛	+1⅛	7.68	7.26
1,250	Treas 13½% 2004-08	143⅛	+1⅛	9.38	7.43

LONGS (over 15 years)

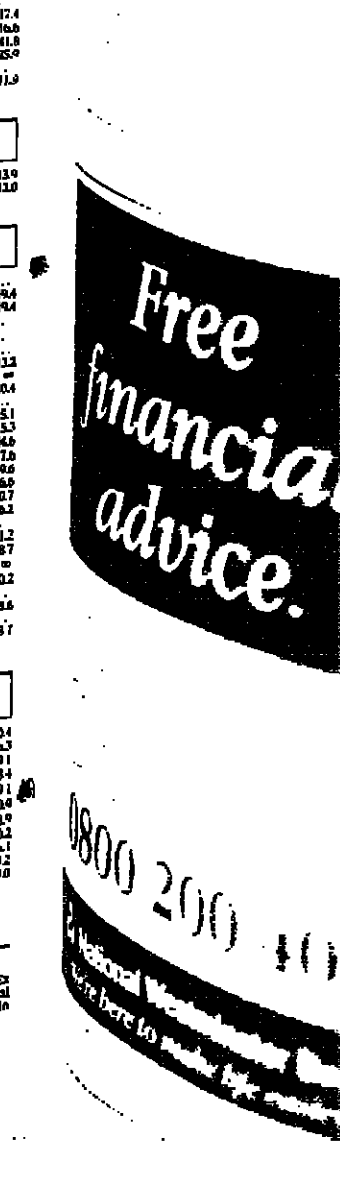
Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
4,321	Treas 9% 2008	115⅛	+2⅛	7.80	7.29
2,500	Treas 8% 2009	106⅞	+2⅛	7.51	7.31
4,273	Conv 9% 2011	116⅛	+2⅛	7.74	7.33
5,150	Treas 9% 2012	116⅛	+2⅛	7.72	7.34
1,000	Treas 5½% 2008-12	84⅛ xd	+2⅛	6.51	6.97
800	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	104⅛	+2⅛	7.43	7.28
4,350	Treas 8% 2013	106⅛	+2⅛	7.50	7.36
1,000	Exch 12% 2013-17	146⅛	+3⅛	8.21	7.52
6,500	Treas 8¾% 2017	115⅞ xd	+3⅛	7.56	7.35

UNDATED

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
1,909	War Ln 3½%	46⅞	+1⅛	7.45	...
475	Treas 2½%	33⅛	+⅛	7.53	...

INDEX-LINKED

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
500	Treas IL 2% 1994	134⅛	+⅛	...	1.03
1,200	Treas IL 2% 1996	158⅞ xd	+⅛	1.84	2.63
600	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	109⅛	-⅛	2.23	2.81
1,350	Treas IL 2½% 2001	167⅛	-⅛	2.70	3.15
1,080	Treas IL 2½% 2003	164⅛	-⅛	2.92	3.20
600	Treas IL 4⅛% 2004	112⅛	-⅛	2.96	3.23
1,350	Treas IL 2% 2006	172⅛	+⅛	3.00	3.21
1,550	Treas IL 2½% 2009	157⅛	+⅛	3.12	3.31
1,550	Treas IL 2½% 2011	163⅛ †	+⅛	3.15	3.32
2,150	Treas IL 2½% 2013	135⅛	+⅛	3.17	3.33
2,200	Treas IL 2½% 2016	149⅛	+⅛	3.20	3.35
2,400	Treas IL 2½% 2020	140⅛	+1⅛	3.23	3.35
1,700	Treas IL 2½% 2024	117⅛	+1	3.23	3.35



صكذا من الاصل

Shoppers of the world unite, says Gatt chief

BY COLIN NARBROUGH
WORLD TRADE CORRESPONDENT

PETER Sutherland, director-general of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt), will today seek the support of consumers in his drive to have a world trade agreement reached this year.

In the first report of its kind from Gatt, the free trade organisation tries to identify effects that a Uruguay round accord would have on consumers worldwide. The technical nature of the multilateral trade negotiations, now in their seventh year, has meant that media attention has been scant, and largely confined to threats of trade wars.

In the report, Mr Sutherland, who has vowed to "shake the trees" to get a Gatt deal, urges governments to make clear to consumers what they pay in tax and in shops for protecting home industries from imports. He says that virtually all protection increases prices, reducing real income and preventing other purchases. It is ineffective at helping employment, he says.

"If governments were to announce that they were deliberately keeping prices high there would be a public outcry — but that, in effect, is what they are doing in failing to conclude the Uruguay round," says Mr Sutherland.

Protection cost each British four-person household $130 a year in the clothes sector alone in the eighties, Gatt says.

CHANGE ON WEEK

THE POUND

US dollar
1.4582 (0.0331)
German mark
2.4986 (0.0436)
Exchange index
80.0 (1.2)

Bank of England official close (4pm)

FT 30 share
2360.7 (0.3)
FT-SE 100
3010.1 (+40.3)
New York Dow Jones
3569.65 (+9.22)
Tokyo Nikkei Avge
20745.17 (+387.23)

REPORTING THIS WEEK

Sedgwick expected to offer assurance to investors

A MODEST improvement in first-half profits is expected from **Sedgwick Group**, the insurance broker chaired by Lord Fanshawe of Richmond, in spite of tough, underlying market conditions.

Alan Curtis, of Credit Lyonnais Laing, expects interim pre-tax profits, due tomorrow, to climb to £53 million, up slightly from £51.7 million. Market forecasts range from £49 million to £58 million. CLL has penciled in static earnings of 7.4p a share, with an unchanged interim dividend of 3p predicted.

There should also be "at least" £10 million from currency gains. But broking at Sedgwick Payne, the group's reinsurance arm, will have suffered from a near collapse in the capacity of that market, resulting in sharply lower profits from reinsurance.

TODAY

Argos, the catalogue shopping specialist, is forecast to report a healthy 47 per cent advance in first-half profits, providing further welcome evidence of a sustained pick-up in high street sales.

NatWest Securities expects the cash-rich group to unveil interim pre-tax profits increased to £14 million (£9.5 million). Market forecasts range from £12 million to £14 million. Earnings are expected to rise to 3.1p (2.1p) a share, with a dividend of 2.4p (2.2p).

Some analysts think that improved jewellery and furniture sales will help Argos lift overall turnover by about 3.5 per cent in the first half, with the trend expected to continue in the second half. But others are more cautious, suggesting that spring seasonal sales might have been poor, with margins further eroded. The bulls, however, are looking for the company to benefit from a good Christmas season as a value-for-money retailer.

Interims: Alliance Trust, Argos, Great Chile Growth Fund, LGW, Seacon Holdings (D), Takare, US Smaller Cos Inv Tst. **Finals:** Benson Group, Samuel Heath, Hoskins Brewery.
Economic statistics: Overseas earnings of the City (1992).

TOMORROW

Hanson, Lord Hanson's acquisitive conglomerate, is likely to report improved third-quarter profits, thanks to currency gains and better trading in its housebuilding and aggregates business. But trading is still tough, and a bitter strike at Peabody Coal in America is hitting the group's earnings.



Matter of interest: Lord Hanson is looking to work his magic on Quantum debt

UBS has penciled in third-quarter pre-tax profits of £286 million, compared with £274 million. Market forecasts range from £245 million to £295 million. UBS expects an improved quarterly dividend of 2.85p (2.75p).

Marley, the building materials and automotive components group, is expected to show a solid recovery and impressive growth prospects in its half-year results.

Mark Hake, of Nikko, the Japanese securities house, is looking for interim pre-tax profits of £12 million, against £6.2 million last time under the FRS3 accounting standard. Market forecasts range from £9 million to £12.5 million.

Marley is expected to maintain its interim dividend at 2.1p a share, although some suspect it may even rise to 2.3p.

Interims: De Beers Centenary, De Beers Consolidated, Evans Halshaw, Fife Indmar, Fleming Mercantile Inv Tst (Q2), Hanson (Q3), Kalon Group, Marley, Sedgwick Group. **Finals:** Bucknall Group, Epwin Group, Impala Platinum Holdings, Stonehill Holdings. **Economic statistics:** CBI survey of distributive trades (July), public sector borrowing requirement (July), UK acquisitions and mergers (Q2), VAT registrations and deregistrations 1992.

WEDNESDAY

Interims: Aga Aktiebolag (Q2), Britannic Assurance, Broadcastle, City Centre Restaurants, Dunedin Income Growth Inv Tst, M&G Income Inv Trust, M&G Recovery Inv Trust, New Zealand Inv (3ID), North Midland Cons, Rea Brothers, Richardsons Westgarth, Rosebys, Sherwood Computer.
Economic statistics: Retail prices index (July), retail sales (July).

THURSDAY

Strong currency gains should help first-half pre-tax profits at **Willis Corroon**, the insurance broker, rise to £61 million (£54.1 million), according to Credit Lyonnais Laing. Market forecasts range from £55 million to £62 million. Earnings are predicted to climb to 9.1p (8.3p) a share, with a second quarterly dividend of 1.65p (3.3p) penciled in.

Interims: Asea AB, T Clarke, Dawsongroup, L M Ericsson, Kode International, Trade Indemnity, Wickes, Wills Corroon. **Finals:** Bristol Channel Ship, County Smaller Companies Inv Trust. **Economic statistics:** UK income, output and expenditure (Q2), capital expenditure and stockbuilding (Q2 - provisional), machine tools (June), major British banking groups' monthly statement (July), building societies' monthly figures (July), provisional figures for vehicle production (July), provisional estimates of monetary aggregates (July).

FRIDAY

Interims: Thomas Jourdan. **Finals:** Raglan Property Trust. **Economic statistics:** Balance of trade with countries outside the EC (July).

PHILIP PANGALOS

Hanson to cut debt with sale of assets

BY COLIN CAMPBELL
MINING CORRESPONDENT

HANSON, whose gearing will leap from 34 per cent to 80 per cent after completion next month of its $3.2 billion takeover of Quantum Chemical Corporation, America's largest manufacturer of polyethylene, is likely to sell several peripheral non-core interests in the weeks ahead in order to reduce debt to more acceptable levels.

Analysts suggest that Hanson is beginning to focus on seven or eight trading areas in which it aims to be the significant player, and that non-core businesses will be sold in pursuit of this goal.

Quantum, for which Hanson will issue 42 million American Depositary Shares, is crippled with $2.5 billion of debt but it is a business at the bottom of its cycle on which Lord Hanson can work his traditional magic.

Hanson has already indicated that, after the agreed merger, it will tackle Quantum's debt by refinancing Quantum loans at lower rates and in ways that could save at least $125 million in interest charges.

It will also turn to asset sales to trim gearing, though analysts say it will be price, rather than fit, that will determine which businesses are sold.

Lord Hanson tomorrow reports third quarter results to June 30. He has already warned that Hanson's profits will bear a £29 million charge to reflect the impact of the miners' strike in America. He has also said there could be a similar charge against fourth quarter profits and for the year ending September 30.

He will, however, report that talks between the various parties involved in the coal dispute have resumed.

Analysts are expecting third quarter pre-tax profits of £260 million against £405 million the same period in 1992 — before an FRS3 accounting adjustment for the sale of Hanson's 2.8 per cent stake in ICI and for the £132 million sale of Ever Ready.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Housing market shows new signs of recovery

THE housing market is recovering again after worries that it might be faltering, according to figures out today. The House Builders Federation said reservations improved in the normally lean month of July after the pace of recovery slowed in the previous two months. A survey of housebuilders revealed that the balance between companies reporting a rise in net reservations and those reporting a decline compared with 1992 was 25 per cent in July against 19 per cent in June and 27 per cent in May. It also showed that more than two thirds of housebuilders surveyed expect their sales to increase this year against 1992.

Tony Hillier, the federation's president, said: "I am certainly encouraged by these figures, particularly as the increase in reservations has come during summer, always the leanest of housebuying times." He said anecdotal evidence suggested the trend was continuing "strongly" into August. The survey comes amid a wave of new mortgage offers from banks and building societies aimed at keeping the housing market moving. The focus of attention will now be the traditionally busy autumn period, which will reveal whether the recovery is firmly gathering pace.

Shield Group listing

SHIELD Diagnostics Group, of Dundee, plans a September stock market flotation that will value the group at £20 million. The flotation will be by means of a placing, and the money raised will be used to develop the group, which has a range of 23 products. Shield says its sales — £1.68 million in the year ended March 31 — have grown by a factor of four in each of its two past financial years. Its profit history has not been disclosed. Two-thirds of the company's revenue is derived from exports of auto-immune and infectious disease diagnostic products. One product under development is a heart attack predictor.

Entrepreneurs stay wary

ENTREPRENEURS are still cautious about the prospects for recovery and there has been no growth in the number of small firms being set up, according to a survey published today. Small business start-ups levelled out in the first half of this year with 90,000 firms launched in the second quarter, compared with 95,000 in the first, said the report by the National Westminister Bank. The total for the first six months — 185,000 — was the same as that in the second half of 1992. The survey found that the number of people saying redundancy was the main reason for starting their own business increased by 10 per cent over the past two years.

RTZ silent over Pillar

RTZ and MB Caradon declined to comment on reported talks that could lead to RTZ selling its Pillar building and electrical division for about £750 million. RTZ is known to have been considering the disposal for some time. MB Caradon, which makes Everest double glazing, heaters and showers, is cash rich and anxious to expand. RTZ traditionally acquires companies on a price-earnings ratio of not much more than 8, and sells companies on one of at least 18. RTZ's industrial interests, principally Pillar, made profits of £17 million in the year to end-December, 1992, down from £33 million and equivalent to 4 per cent of total 1992 earnings.

Pipeline deal expected

A MULTINATIONAL consortium, including BP, will meet this week in Ankara to set the seal on a plan for a 1,000-mile oil pipeline from Baku in Azerbaijan to Turkey's Mediterranean oil terminal of Ceyhan-Yumurtalik, Turkish officials said. US and British firms in the consortium had initially expressed reservations about the route, which passes through Iran, but an alternative route through Armenia was finally rejected on political and military grounds, officials said. Iran has not yet indicated if it will agree to the route. Another consortium, also including BP, will meet in London soon to determine stakes in a project to exploit the oil fields near Baku.

WORD WATCHING

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YEME
(b) Care, heed, attention, *in yeme* in one's care, in charge, from the OE *gieme*, cf. OS *góma* attention, entertaining, feast, banquet, in ME *to nim* or *take yeme* = to take notice, to give heed; Audelay, *Poems*, 1426: "Had she kept furth his way./ He would of hir have take no yeme."

VERMIAN
(c) Of or pertaining to *Vermes*, characteristic of worms, worm-like, from the Latin *vermis* a worm: "Human nature is not the same in all ages; it was once simian nature, once vermian, once lower still."

HEMMING
(a) The skin or hide of a deer's shank, a rough shoe or brogue made from this, from the Old Norse *hemingr* the skin of the shanks of a hide: "That hys Knychtis weryd Rewyfynys Of Hydis, or of Hart Hemmyngs."

INTRIGO
(b) The old-fashioned form of *intrigue*, also *intriego* and *intriguo*, from the Italian *intrigare* to intricate or entangle: Shadwell, *The Virtuoso*, 1676: "I have indeed to night an intriguo with a lady.

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GILT-EDGED

Time to go long — or abroad

It is becoming easy for gilts investors to sit with their long positions, without thinking much about investment tactics. This has been a winning strategy, recently, since most market setbacks have been short-lived, but we are reaching yield levels at which it is appropriate to consider alternatives.

Overall, the gilt market's bullish phase is justified by the improvement in almost all key economic statistics and forecasts. However, in the past week or two, the market has at times resembled a car with dodgy brakes. If it does not run out of fuel fairly soon, there could be an accident.

Current yield levels are sustainable, and a ten-year yield of a little above 6.6-6.7 per cent is a reasonable target for next year. However, at comparable maturities, there is more mileage in continental bonds.

The French OAT market is attractive; in France, high interest rates have quelled inflation, and these rates must fall fast before the economy can recover. Ten-year French yields could fall by about 100 basis points (to 5¼ per cent) by mid-1994. This outstrips any potential move in gilt yields from current levels.

A drawback to investing in the French market, though, is the franc's likely weakness in the coming months. Switches into French debt markets are therefore best accomplished in conjunction with some kind of currency hedge.

Funds which are staying in gilts should look again at which maturity is likely to provide the best returns. The central question is whether yields of ultra-long gilts can continue to fall faster than those of medium maturity bonds, or whether the yield curve will steepen again. Because of the rally in the gilt market in the past year, the authorities have been able to choose gilt issuance maturities with considerable freedom: investors have been found at almost any maturity. But, since overseas interest in the gilt market has been so strong, the Bank of England has centred issuance around ten-year gilts, the favoured maturity of the continental investor.

This has led to a relative shortage of stock at long maturities, encouraging long gilts to outperform shorter bonds. The ten-year/25-year yield spread has fallen below 50 basis points, a cut of more than 30 points over the past six months. The downward PSBR revisions suggest a long-term continuation of this spread movement.

The government has only to issue gilts worth another £14 billion to complete funding of the 1993-4 PSBR. There will be a significant funding overshoot, which will ease the burden on future years. So the Bank of England can continue to go easy on issuing ultra-long gilts if it wishes.

Other factors also hint at outperformance by long maturities. For example, the US government's decision to issue 30-year bonds biannually, rather than quarterly, could increase demand for long UK paper. The natural slope of the long end of the yield curve has always been downwards; only when short interest rates are some way below perceptions of long-term inflation rates does the entire curve tend to slope upwards.

Holders of medium-maturity gilts therefore have the choice of switching to other European bonds, or to longer-maturity gilts. Either should enhance returns.

STEPHEN SCOTT
Kleinwort Benson

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LEGAL NOTICES

AMAZON LIMITED
Principal Trading Address: 8 Reading Road South, Fleet, Hants
Company Number: 2121051
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named company will be held at Columbia Centre, Market Street, Bracknell, Berks RG12 1JA on 8 September 1993 at 11.00 a.m. for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the Insolvency Act 1986.
A list of names and addresses of the company's creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at Touche Ross & Co. of Columbia Centre, Market Street, Bracknell, Berkshire, RG12 1PA during the two business days preceding the above meeting.
Dated: 12 August 1993
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
S G Morgan

FAILSWORTH PAINTING & CONSTRUCTION LIMITED (IN RECEIVERSHIP)
Registered No: 1904429.
Nature of business: Decorators and small works. Trade Classification: 28. Date of Appointment of Administrative Receivers: 9th August 1993. Name of Person Appointing the Administrative Receivers: The Royal Bank of Scotland Plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: Peter Lomas and Denis Joseph Kilroy (IP10s 2686 and 2079 (P Lomas) and 2217 (D Kilroy) of Poppleton & Appleby, 32 High Street, Manchester, M4 1QD)

FALCON INVESTMENTS SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME
("the Company")
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS
DIVIDEND PAYMENT
Shareholder approval was given at the Annual General Meeting of the Company held in Luxembourg on 24th June 1993 for the payment of a dividend of 14 United States cents per share for the year ended 31st March 1993. The proposed payment date is 13th August 1993. As mentioned in the published notes to the audited accounts, the dividend declared by the Company's sub-subsidiary, Falcon Gold Zimbabwe Limited, which falls within the Zimbabwean exchange control formula for remittance of dividends to non-residents, is expected to be paid in full, although some time delay may be experienced.
Shareholders should be aware that there have been delays as dealt with above and warrants to pay the dividends declared by the Company will be posted as soon as possible.
By order of the Board
Bulawayo Board of Executors and Trust Company Ltd
Secretaries.

LEGAL NOTICES

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, *Plaintiff*, v. REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 351 WEST END LANE, LONDON, ENGLAND and its buildings, appurtenances, improvements, fixtures, attachments and easements. *Defendant*.
Case No. C 93-1600-WHO
NOTICE OF FORFEITURE ACTION

PUBLIC NOTICE OF FORFEITURE ACTION IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 27th day of May, 1993, the defendant real property was arrested on behalf of the United States Marshals Service for the Northern District of California, pursuant to a Warrant of Arrest of Property in Rem issued by the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, in the above entitled suit for forfeiture, brought under the provisions of 21 U.S.C. §881.
A Government forfeiture complaint has been filed with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California. The case number of the said action is C 93-1600-WHO.
All persons claiming any right, title, or interest in or to the real property are hereby notified to file a claim within ten (10) days of this notice and to file an answer to the complaint within twenty (20) days thereafter, with the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, 19th Floor, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102 and serve a copy of the claim and/or answer upon the United States Attorney's Office, Attention: Jonathan R. Howden, Assistant United States Attorney, 19th Floor, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California 94102, in order to show cause, if any there be, why the defendant real property should not be decreed against and forfeited to the United States, and that all right, title and interest be vested in the United States of America.
Dated: June 3, 1993
JOHN A. MENDEZ
United States Attorney
JONATHAN R. HOWDEN
Assistant United States Attorney

INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
THE ROYLON INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named company will be held at Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH on the 1st day of September 1993 at 10.15 am for the purposes, if thought fit, of nominating a Liquidator and of appointing a Liquidation Committee. Any proxy to be used at the meeting must be lodged at Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH not later than 12 noon on the business day before the meeting. A statement of claim must also be lodged.
NOTICE is also given that, for the purpose of voting, secured creditors must (unless they surrender their security) lodge a statement giving particulars of their security, the date when it was given, and the value at which they estimate it.
A list of the names and addresses of the creditors of the above-named company may be inspected at Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the two business days preceding the meeting.
Dated this 9th day of August, 1993
C A V Dadson, Secretary.

INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
THE CENTRAL INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named company will be held at Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH on the 1st day of September 1993 at 10.05 am for the purposes, if thought fit, of nominating a Liquidator and of appointing a Liquidation Committee. Any proxy to be used at the meeting must be lodged at Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH not later than 12 noon on the business day before the meeting. A statement of claim must also be lodged.
NOTICE is also given that, for the purpose of voting, secured creditors must (unless they surrender their security) lodge a statement giving particulars of their security, the date when it was given, and the value at which they estimate it.
A list of the names and addresses of the creditors of the above-named company may be inspected at Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the two business days preceding the meeting.
Dated this 9th day of August, 1993
C A V Dadson, Secretary.

LEGAL NOTICES

INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
SORRENSHIRE LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named company will be held at Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH on the 1st day of September 1993 at 10.30 am for the purposes, if thought fit, of nominating a Liquidator and of appointing a Liquidation Committee. Any proxy to be used at the meeting must be lodged at Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH not later than 12 noon on the business day before the meeting. A statement of claim must also be lodged.
NOTICE is also given that, for the purpose of voting, secured creditors must (unless they surrender their security) lodge a statement giving particulars of their security, the date when it was given, and the value at which they estimate it.
A list of the names and addresses of the creditors of the above-named company may be inspected at Kings House, 36/37 King Street, London EC2V 8BH between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the two business days preceding the meeting.
Dated this 9th day of August, 1993
C A V Dadson, Secretary.

INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
D.T. MATTHEWS & COMPANY (COGGESHALL) LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Warren House, 10-20 Main Road, Hockley, Essex, SS5 4RY, on 6th September 1993 at 11.30pm, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Notice is also hereby given, pursuant to Section 98(2)(A) of the Insolvency Act 1986, that Jamie Taylor of Messrs Taylor Gotham, Warren House, 10-20 Main Road, Hockley, Essex SS5 4RY is qualified to act as an Insolvency Practitioner in relation to the above company, and will furnish creditors, free of charge, with such information concerning the company's affairs as they may reasonably require.
Dated the 10th August 1993
By order of the Board
D.T. Mathews, Director.

IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986 AND IN THE MATTER OF D.J. PUBLICITY LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act, 1986, that a meeting of Creditors of the above named Company will be held at 5 Park Court, Pyrford Road, West Byfleet, KT14 6SD on the 7 September 1993 at 2.30 pm for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the Insolvency Act 1986 namely:- 1. To consider the Director's Statement of Affairs
2. To appoint a Liquidator
3. If thought fit, to establish a Liquidation Committee.
Creditors wishing to vote at the meeting (or attending in person) must lodge a proxy at 5 Park Court, Pyrford Road, West Byfleet, Surrey KT14 6SD no later than noon on 6 September 1993.
A list of names and addresses of the Company's creditors may be inspected free of charge at Gibson Hewitt & Co., 5 Park Court, Pyrford Road, West Byfleet, Surrey KT14 6SD between 10am and 5pm during the two days next before the meeting.
Dated this 11th day of August 1993
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
D Jones, Director.

INSURANCE COMPANIES ACT 1982
Municipal Mutual Insurance Limited and Municipal General Insurance Limited
TRANSFER OF GENERAL BUSINESS
1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Municipal Mutual Insurance Limited and Municipal General Insurance Limited applied to the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on 9th August 1993 for his approval, pursuant to section 51 of the Insurance Companies Act 1982, to transfer to Eagle Star Insurance Company Limited all their respective rights and obligations under buildings and buildings and/or contents policies written by them for Automobile Association Insurance Services Limited in the United Kingdom prior to the close of business on the 30th September 1992.
2. Copies of the Statement of Particulars of the proposed transfer are available for inspection at 26/27 Old Queen Street, Westminster, SW1H 9HN, Monday to Friday, from 9.00am to 5.00pm when particulars may be inspected until 14th September 1993.
3. Written representations concerning the transfer may be sent to the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, Department of Trade and Industry, Insurance Division, 10-18 Victoria Street, London, SW1H 0NN before 19th October 1993. The Secretary of State will not determine the application until after considering any representations made to him before that date.

IN THE MATTER of The INSOLVENCY ACT 1986 and IN THE MATTER of JUNGELING LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Meeting of the Creditors of Jungeling Limited will be held at 31 Great George Street, Bristol BS1 5QD on 3 September 1993 at 11.00am for the purpose of having a report laid before them by the Liquidator, showing the manner in which the winding-up of the said Company has been conducted.
A copy of the report which it is intended to present to the meeting has been sent to all known creditors. Any creditor who has not received a copy may contact Mr Fox on 0272-293701
Dated this 29 day of July 1993
P R C Dereham, Liquidator.

IN THE MATTER OF MASER OF AUSTRIA LTD AND THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the creditors of the above named company convened under the provisions of S.98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, and held on 5 August 1993, I, Melvyn Julius Carter, of Carter Backer Winter, Hill House, Highgate Hill, London, N19 5UU was duly appointed Liquidator of the company.
Dated this 5th August 1993
M J Carter

NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO SUBMIT CLAIMS
BAMFORDS LIMITED
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Creditors of the above named company are required on or before 2nd September 1993 to lodge proof of their debt at Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EU, quoting the name of the company.
I intend to declare a final dividend in the liquidation of the above company. Any creditor who has not lodged details of his claim by the above date may be excluded from the dividend.
Date: 11-8-93
S.J.L. Adamson, Joint Liquidator

How Harris Tweed hopes to weave a thriving trade

An Englishman has designed a loom which, it is hoped, will revitalise one of Scotland's traditional industries. Gillian Bowditch reports

Think of Scotland's industrial decline and images of Ravenscraig steel works, redundant mines, derelict shipyards on the Clyde and the travails of Rosyth Royal Dockyard come to mind. But it is not just the heavy engineering base that has succumbed to industrial disease. Smaller, traditional industries, which are vitally important to the rural populatio they support, are in as much danger of becoming obsolete as the mothballed mines and the derelict dockyards.

Chief among these is the Harris Tweed industry, manufacturers of the traditional cloth much loved by elderly maiden aunts and the hunting, shooting and fishing set. The industry, cyclical at best, has been creeping towards a slow death over the past 20 years.

Now an Englishman has come to the rescue of Harris Tweed, which accounts for 60 per cent of manufacturing employment in the Western Isles, and a £10 million initiative has been launched to save the industry from extinction. The money is being provided by Highlands and Islands Enterprise, Western Isles Enterprise, the European Community and the industry itself.

Central to the investment plans is the development of a new double-width weaving loom, which could save the industry from certain death, according to Iain Mackenzie, weaving lecturer at Lews Castle College in Stornoway. "If we don't change, we'll die. We've been dying slowly," he says.

The main problem with renovating the 150-year-old industry is that to comply with the strict definition of Harris Tweed, no automation is allowed in the weaving. To qualify for the prestigious "orb" trade mark, the oldest certification mark in Britain, Harris Tweed has to be hand woven in the Outer Hebrides from pure wool by islanders in their own homes. There are 400 weavers who regularly produce cloth and 700 who are registered. More than 95 per cent of them are men and about 100 are of pensionable age. In the past ten years, the industry has suffered a dramatic decline in its fortunes.

In 1985, Harris Tweed brought an income of about £28 million to the fragile economy of the Western Isles. Last year, that had fallen to about £5.5 million, according to Harris Mackenzie, chairman of Kenneth Mackenzie, the biggest mill on the islands.

"Each time the industry comes out of a downward cycle, it never quite reaches its previous peak," he says. The average amount of cloth produced annually is 5 million yards. Last year, it was 2 million yards. Employment levels have also dropped from more than 2,000 in 1966 to 500 in 1992.

In addition to the recession in its biggest market, the United States, the main reason for the decline is the antiquated looms used for the weaving, which are not able to produce the width of cloth required by the industry's customers. The old Hattersley looms, which all the weavers currently use, produce cloth 75 cms wide, much too narrow for the modern laser cutting equipment used by most clothing manufacturers. The narrow cloth also limits the number and type of designs that can be made in Harris Tweed. In addition, the looms, some of them 70 years old, are no longer made. They are difficult and costly to service and noisy to operate.

The saviour of the industry is an Englishman, John Griffith from Sunderland. He has invented a loom called a Bonas-Griffith, which produces cloth 150 cms wide and allows the weavers to make more intricate designs in a greater number of colours.

Many in the industry did not believe a double-width manually operated Harris Tweed loom could be manufactured. A previous prototype collapsed under the weight of the steel used and the industry had more or less given up when Mr Griffith came along with his proposal. The prototype Bonas-Griffith loom cost £66,000 to develop and is currently going through 1,000 hours of testing at the home of Callum MacLean. He says the machine, which is pedalled like a bicycle and will cost £13,000, is much easier to use and may lead to more women joining the industry.

About half of the £10 million investment package will be spent subsidising 300 of the looms, which will be phased in over the next five years. Weavers will have to put up about £4,000 of the cost of the loom. The balance will be funded by the development agencies and the EC. A further £500,000 has been earmarked for retraining and so far 60 weavers have been trained on four new looms at Lews Castle College. About £2 million will be spent at the Harris Tweed finishing mills, where the cloth is put through rigorous testing to ensure it qualifies for the trade mark, and a final £2 million will be spent on marketing and promotion.

Duncan Martin, chairman of the Harris Tweed Working Party, which co-ordinated the investment plans, says: "If the five-year strategy is successful, production and sales could treble, securing around 150 jobs at tweed mills and creating up to a further 100 jobs. There would also be a significant increase in work for the existing weavers. A re-energised Harris Tweed industry would pump an estimated £11 million annually into the local economy — equivalent to 9 per cent of the Islands' commercial output".

Some weavers are reluctant to invest £4,000 in an unproven machine. But banks have been asked to be flexible and the working party says the weavers' costs need be no more than £82.86 a month for five years.

Mr MacLean says that on the old looms the weavers produce about 300 metres of cloth a week, equivalent to three tweeds. For each they are paid £100, although in recent months work has been scarce and many have had to rely on income support.

The looms will make production quicker, the cloth will be better quality and new lightweight cloth suitable for women's fashion can be easily produced. An industry survey has shown that if double-width cloth were to pe produced, demand would soar.

The development of the looms comes as the Harris Tweed Act received royal assent. The act has a twofold purpose. It permits the Harris Tweed Association to protect the trade mark more effectively and it allows the weavers to use wool other than Scottish wool.

Pirate brands such as Harry's Tweed, Larry's Tweed and Harrisville Tweed abound in Japan and America. The use of non-Scottish wool means that lighter weight, softer cloth can be made. Currently, the Harris Tweed industry accounts for 23 per cent of all Scottish wool produced and it buys up all of some of the softer yarns.

Assuming the weavers take to the looms, the first double-width Tweed will be produced in the 1994-5 selling season, with a progressive shift to double-width over the next five years.

"We must seize the opportunity now to prevent terminal decline," Iain Robertson, chief executive of Highlands and Islands Enterprise, says.

"The loss of the industry would be a critical blow to the economy. The structure of the industry is such that whole communities would be threatened if the income from weaving dried up," he adds.

SAM MAYNARD



New era looming: test run for a revolution in tweed technology

TEMPUS

What's in a name?

FEARS that brands were a dying force after the discounting of Marlboro should largely have been laid to rest by Unilever's half-year figures last week. Since more than 80 per cent of Unilever's vast turnover comes from branded household goods, by rights it should be vulnerable to a cold shoulder from bargain conscious consumers. The group also makes 45 per cent of its sales in continental Europe, where conventional wisdom suggests it should have been hit as French and German shoppers switch to cheaper, own-label products because of the recession.

Unilever's figures told a different story. While profits fell marginally in Europe, much of the damage was, ironically, done by the group's non-branded speciality chemicals business. Overall, the group maintained its majestic progress, with operating margins rock steady at 8.1 per cent.

Unilever's experience says much about the potential and the limitations of brands. The group has maintained or even extended the market share of most of its branded products throughout the recessions in America, Britain and continental Europe. It has even successfully launched premium products during an economic downturn, such as expensive new ice creams in France and Italy.

A defensive portfolio like this costs dear. Unilever will spend almost £3 billion on marketing this year and a further £600 million on research and development, together almost 15 per cent of group turnover. The spending ensures that the products remain well known and have a technological edge over generic rivals. But Unilever is still cautious on prices, which have increased by less than the rate of inflation in most of its markets in recent years as the benefits of cost-saving are shared between consumers, shareholders and the marketing budget. By contrast, branded cigarette makers in America pushed their prices above inflation for years and offered little product innovation, in the mistaken belief that they controlled an infinitely elastic price premium.

As groups such as Unilever display the quality of their earnings, the stock market should quickly lose its wariness of branded goods manufacturers. Such doubts are only a temporary backlash to the wild enthusiasm with which brands were received in the late eighties.

Rolls-Royce

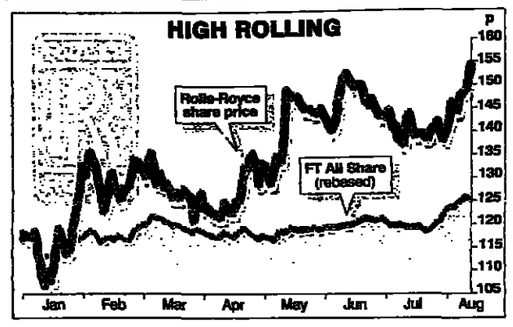
CUTTING the dividend seems to be the best thing Rolls-Royce has done for its shareholders for ages. The group's shares have outperformed the FT all-share index by 12 per cent since the results in March.

Much of the demand has come from American institutions, which are chasing aerospace stocks on signs that the recession in the airline industry is ending. Their enthusiasm is so great that they breached the 29.5 per cent limit on foreign ownership of Rolls a month ago and were forced to sell 6.7 million shares. Since then, Lehman Brothers has issued a 5 million-share call warrant to satisfy overseas demand. Pressure from foreign investors may prompt the government to raise the limit on foreign ownership as it did in 1989; the Rolls board apparently has no objections.

The market's optimism is puzzling considering the state of the company and its markets. While TWA is likely to emerge from Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in the next few months, the airline industry is still fragile, with aircraft deliveries likely to fall in the next two years. Any recovery is unlikely before 1995.

Rolls is in the midst of reorganisation, and will lose 5,000 employees in the next two years. When it spends all the £180 million provision it set aside in last year's figures, it will have gearing of up to a third, discounting customer deposits, particularly if it is unable to cover even the reduced dividend this year, which looks likely. The group may decide its share price is a persuasive argument for asking shareholders for fresh equity, even though it is cash positive at present.

Recent orders at Rolls and its joint venture in power transmission with National Grid are heartening but they will not improve the bottom line in the foreseeable future. Investors, both domestic and foreign, should take the opportunity to switch into companies where recovery will come a little sooner.



Life assurance

THE Cheltenham & Gloucester's decision to sever its link with Legal & General and stop selling endowment mortgage policies has thrown a longer shadow over the life assurance industry, just weeks after the Chancellor's insistence that firms should disclose their commission sent share prices reeling.

A month ago, the life assurance sector was at an all-time relative high against the all-share index as investors hungrily eyed surpluses in the firms' life funds. Since then, it has lost almost a third of its premium to the market as fears grow about future revenues.

The C&G is a maverick building society which has had an uneasy relationship with life assurance since it introduced the interest-only mortgage three years ago, so its move is unlikely to start a trend. But the popularity of endowments has been falling for more than five years. In 1988, endowment mortgages accounted for 84 per cent of the market, compared with only 69 per cent today. Falling bonus rates have played a part in the decline but most of the gap has been filled by a rise in interest-only products, which now account for 12 per cent of the market.

This loss of business among the life assurers should not be disregarded. Last year, mortgage-related products accounted for almost a third of L&G's new UK annual premium income. Most life companies, however, have far less mortgage business than L&G. The Prudential's exposure dropped sharply when it sold its estate agencies and the smaller life assurers have few building society ties.

In any case, the new mortgage market is so heavily geared towards selling endowments that they will continue to dominate for some time.

The effects of commission disclosure are less easy to judge, but will lead to some loss of market share to Peps and unit trusts unless the life industry reshapes its fee structure into something more palatable. There will be no speedy resolution of the issue, so the sector is unlikely to bounce back quickly.

Future of gas presents pitfalls for ministers

Ian Powe considers issues facing ministers over the monopolies report, due out tomorrow, on the gas industry

FIREWORK fanatics, familiar with the phrase "light the blue touch paper and retire", may be disappointed when the Monopolies and Mergers Commission pronounces on the gas industry tomorrow. The gas regulator, Sir James McKinnon, by calling in the MMC a year ago, lit a slow burning fuse under British Gas before deciding soon to retire and to leave his successor to pick up the pieces after the bang. However, industry watchers in the City see disintegration of British Gas as an unlikely outcome.

A more pragmatic approach, with an eye on the high esteem in which its customers hold the company and on the political risk in too radical a solution, would leave British Gas intact. However, it will be subject to fresh regulatory controls on the natural monopoly of its pipeline business and to a new market framework. The market will be redesigned to enable competition gradually to displace the unnatural monopoly of household gas supply; new regulation will set the charge that all suppliers, including British Gas, will incur in delivering gas to customers through the pipeline grid.

In 1992, domestic consumers paid gas bills of £5.7 billion, every penny of it to British Gas, while frustrated competitors sat on the sidelines muttering that, given a chance, they could cut household prices by 10 per cent. In response, British Gas publicly proclaims that, in a competitive framework, low-income consumers would "face increases in their gas bills of up to 94 per cent". Both cannot be right. Meanwhile, the Treasury has put the VAT among the DTI pigeons with a price increase of 8 per cent, for 1994-5, and 17.5 per cent thereafter.

Price will be the dominant political issue when the DTI decides on the monopolies commission proposals. Unless convinced that competition will bring prices down, the government faces high risk in tinkering with a market structure that, rival suppliers and the regulator apart, most people believe delivers the goods. On the other hand, Parliament has decreed that, by 1998, all consumers will be able to shop around the 12 regional electricity companies to decide which one offers the best value; it is hard to imagine a policy that labels a supply monopoly as bad for electricity, but good for gas. To exclude competition from the domestic gas market would contradict the first principle of the government's energy policy, published in the coal review white paper in March — "to encourage competition among producers and choice for consumers".

Competition is bound to come. The two questions are when and how. The one certainty is that, with price such a sensitive issue, the DTI cannot risk a totally free market if there is any prospect of an escalation in gas bills on top of the VAT addition.

As an interim measure, regulation must continue to set maximum prices and minimum standards of service. Authorised suppliers, including British Gas, would then compete to offer a price below the permitted maximum. Licence conditions would include an obligation to supply gas to any household that wants it and to match the high service standards available from British Gas today: that is a challenge that very few companies would be able to meet.

In taking a year, and 1,700 pages, to reach conclusions, the MMC has found that gas is a complex business. The DTI is wise to publish the report before deciding what to do. "Don't you just love being in control" is a favourite British Gas slogan: after the coal débâcle, Michael Heseltine cannot afford to lose control of the gas industry too.

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Powe: change ahead

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Paying the price of silence

ALL this disclosure can be bad for business and fatal for your company's health. That, at least, was the theory espoused by managers of Japan's Cosmo Securities. So the Osaka firm hid unrealised losses on clients' investments of 70 billion yen, nearly £470 million, first from the trusting clients — mainly Japanese corporations — then from a finance ministry enquiry and finally from the watchdog Securities and Exchange Surveillance Committee. Cosmo hoped share prices would recover rapidly, avoiding any nastiness that disclosure would have brought. They did not. Hirochi Nakano, Cosmo's president, finally revealing an extraordinary loss of Y70 billion, explained that the company hid the losses because it was trying to "revitalise" its operations: "If we disclosed the amount, it would have shaken the very foundations of the company". This judgment was undoubtedly correct. Cosmo is now having to ask Daiwa Bank to bail it out and take control, and the embarrassed new finance minister, Hirohisa Fujii, has vowed menacingly: "We will deal with this case strictly".

New issue

THE phones hardly stopped ringing in James Capel's Edinburgh office last week on word of a new issue. The cause of all the fuss was Mike Cuthbert, investment trust salesman, who had announced the birth of his daughter, Fenella Jane, in a national newspaper and found it caught far more attention than the average cut-out coupon. "Quite a few people have been calling me up," says a delighted Cuthbert, who is busy preparing for another new launch. Capel starts making markets in investment trusts next month.



Changing places: Guy Crawford, who has moved from Casablanca to Edinburgh

Random harvest

MALAYA Group, the USM-quoted motor dealership, farmed out the public relations for its interim trading results rather too widely last Friday. A gremlin in the system put the wrong phone contact number on the end of the Stock Exchange version of the results. Result: Margaret Silcock, a farmer in Constable country, had to answer the calls of reporters anxious to know how the car market was primed for recovery. "I'm not interested in cars, I do cream teas" she explained stoically.

Palace coup

ONE of the undoubted successes of the Queen's decision to open Buckingham Palace has been the tasteful, if highly commercial, souvenir shop. So popular has the jewellery been that Ortak, the Orkney-based manufacturer, has gone on overtime to keep up with demand. It makes the necklace, which retails at £55, earrings (£45), cuff links (£40) and a brooch (£50). Ortak, which employs 90 people, is one of nine official companies supplying souvenirs. It is moving to larger premises at Christmas.

Food for thought

WORD in the City that EF&D Mann, the commodity broker, had made lunch-time drinking a sackable offence for traders on the Liffe floor could have led to open outcry, given the hectic pace at which futures and options traders are expected to work. Investigation has revealed, however, that the company has issued no prohibitionist diktat. Director John Darling said he had given a warning to a young trader caught sipping a Coke on the exchange floor that he would be unable to protect him from disciplinary action, if he was found drinking there again. Liffe rules, it seems, ban food or drink being consumed there.

Ferrari is banking on the Hungarian economy throwing up wealthy car-loving entrepreneurs by opening a sales drive in the former Communist republic. Ambition is, however, tempered by realism. Annual sales are up to six cars. The company has already fulfilled a third of this year's norm. Two were sold ahead of yesterday's Hungarian Grand Prix.

Booked out at the Balmoral

THERE'S no room at the inn this August at number one Princes Street, the most famous address in Edinburgh, which belongs to the Balmoral Hotel. So busy is the Balmoral that even a senior Forte executive could not find a room this week — or indeed at any time during the Edinburgh Festival. Changed days for the landmark Balmoral, better known to Scots the world over as the North British Hotel, which looms above Waverley Station and is the first building many festival-goers see as they stagger off the night sleeper from King's Cross. After a £23 million revamp by its former owners, management of the loss-making hotel was taken over by Forte, which has since doubled the occupancy rate, largely through use of its reservation system. Soon after the takeover, the Balmoral became one of four five-star hotels in Scotland. Forte brought in Guy Crawford from its Royal Mansour hotel in Casablanca, and the 186-bedroom Edwardian edifice is now a serious challenger in an industry where the recession has hit hard. Rumour has it that Forte considered reinstating the North British name when it took over, but the fondness of Americans for royal resonances stayed the management's hand. The name North British may simply be too redolent of draughty old railway hotels. On the other hand, perhaps Rocco Forte could just be persuaded ....

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BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (33239)
7.00 Breakfast News (44487448)
9.05 World Athletics Championships. Live coverage from Stuttgart of the women's heptathlon, the first round of the men's and women's 400m. Include **News** (Ceefax), regional news and weather at **10.00** (98801158)
11.05 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (8246968) **11.10 The High Chaparral.** Classic western drama series (r) (9076158)
12.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (5556852) **12.05 Man on the Rim: The Peopling of the Pacific.** The seventh of an 11-part series on the history of the Pacific (8589090) **12.55 Regional News** and weather (71368158)
1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (60210)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (80932784) **1.50 Going for Gold.** General knowledge quiz. The question-master is the admirable Henry Kelly (s) (80936500)
2.15 Dallas. Last in the series of repeats of the Ewing family saga. (Ceefax) (8736142) **3.00 Bazaar.** Entertaining household hints introduced by Nerys Hughes (s) (5697) **3.30 Antiques Roadshow.** A behind-the-scenes look at the team when they visited the Isle of Wight (r) (351)
4.00 Small World. *Automata* (r) (6256577) **4.10 The Adventures of Skippy** (s) (2027245) **4.35 Toxic Crusaders** (r). (Ceefax) (3942719)
5.00 Newsround (2131535) **5.10 The Lowdown.** A look at the Children's Film Unit on location in London and Suffolk working on its most ambitious and expensive production (r). (Ceefax) (3711968)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (834697). **Northern Ireland:** Inside Ulster
6.00 Six O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (535)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (887). **Northern Ireland:** Neighbours
7.00 Hunters in the Wild: The Company of Killers. (Ceefax) (s) See Choice (3806)
7.30 Driving Obsession Michael Delahaye examines some young men's obsession with cars (871)
8.00 Food and Drink Choice Cuts. Chris Kelly introduces *Food and Drink* highlights (6326)
8.30 Waiting For God. Comedy starring Graham Crowden and Stephanie Cole as retirement home malcontents (r). (Ceefax) (s) (1061)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (3697)
9.30 Panorama: Footing the Bill. David Dimbleby chairs a live discussion on the funding of the police force. Among those taking part are Dick Coyles, chairman-elect of the Police Federation, Chief Constable Bill Skitt of the Association of Chief Police Officers, Sir Paul Fox, a member of the Sheehy Enquiry, and Alison Halford, former assistant Chief Constable of Merseyside (593603)
10.10 Blott on the Landscape. Episode five of the six-part dramatisation of Tom Sharpe's comic novel. Starring George Cole and Geraldine James (r). (Ceefax) (490177). **Northern Ireland:** Soviet Session 11.00 Blott on the Landscape 11.55 Come Dancing 12.30-1.00 Making Advances


In step: presenter Rosemarie Ford (11.05pm)

11.05 Come Dancing 1993. London South meet Liverpool in the final. (Ceefax) (s) (772603)
11.40 Making Advances. Part four of Emma Freud's series on sexual harassment at work (522210)
12.10am Weather (5101746)

BBC2

7.10 Open University (9799332)
8.00 Breakfast News (4850413)
8.15 Ghostwriter (r) (s) (1587429) **8.40 Northern Arts** (r) (4117697) **8.55 A Week To Remember** (b/w). Pathé newsclips from 40 years ago (2312142)
9.10 Hangar 17 (r). (Ceefax) (s) (9845158) **9.25 Artifax** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (7035061)
10.05 Playdays (r) (s) (3856719) **10.25 Lassie** (r) (5779413)
11.00 Film: Days of Thrills and Laughter (1961, b/w). A compilation of the best of classic Hollywood comedy (63005)
12.30 Film: Brats (1930, b/w). Laurel and Hardy are given a testing time when they babysit their own children. Directed by James Parrott (4501055) **12.50 Film: Thicker Than Water** (1935, b/w). Ollie is persuaded by Stan to show his wife who is boss. Directed by James W. Horne (4694719)
1.10 Small World. Model railway layouts (r) (20547577)
1.20 Johnson and Friends (r) (73696041) **1.30 King Rollo** (r) (93543500) **1.35 Exploring Photography** (r) (19182055)
2.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (94505974) **2.05 Photographer: Russell Lee.** A documentary portrait of the pioneer of flash photography whose career spanned four decades (7671581)
3.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (1994142) **3.05 Summer Praise With the Tall Ships** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (1429603) **3.40 A Week To Remember** (b/w). As 8 55am (1012158) **3.50 News** (Ceefax), regional news and weather (1938142)
4.00 Look, Stranger. Keith Grant talks about his sculpture *St Joan* which stands outside the Shaw Theatre in London's Euston Road (r) (2038351)
4.20 Hungarian Grand Prix (r) (4995603)
5.00 Gardeners' World (r) (Ceefax) (s) (8784)
5.30 World Athletics Championships live from Stuttgart. Includes **5.50** women's 100m semi-finals, **6.00** men's triple jump final; **6.20** men's 400m semi-finals; **7.00** women's 3,000m final; **7.20** men's 5,000m final; **7.45** women's 100m final (689887)
8.00 Birthrights: Black Ink. (Ceefax) (s) See Choice (4968)


War of words: Matheson and Colin (8.30pm)

8.30 Film: Warm Hearts, Cold Feet (1987) starring Margaret Colin and Tim Matheson. Comedy about a married couple working as columnists on rival newspapers. Directed by James Frawley (93968)
10.00 KYTV. Comedy series set in a satellite television station (r) (s) (45806)
10.30 Newsnight. (Ceefax) (623603)
11.15 Edinburgh Nights. The first of nine programmes of highlights from the Edinburgh International Festival (s) (687581) **11.55 Weather** (300210)
12.00 Czech Mates? A documentary look at a Czechoslovak company dealing with Western investors (r) (70388). Ends at **12.30am**

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CHOICE


American odyssey: Andrei Codrescu (C4, 9.00pm)

Travellers' Tales: Road Scholar
Channel 4, 9.00pm

In this week's programme, the Romanian writer and poet, Andrei Codrescu, gets into a shiny red Cadillac convertible and sets off on a 4,500-mile journey across his adopted homeland of America. As Robbie Coltrane will tell you, this has been done before, but Codrescu's view is that: "America seems to get discovered over and over but never definitively." Interested particularly in immigrants, he encounters an austere German Christian sect and lectures at a swearing-in ceremony for new arrivals, but his journey is not easily summed up. There are surprising interviews with a gun-toting model, a van-load of hippies, and, in Las Vegas, the organiser of drive-in weddings.

Global Image: Gynaecological Chronicles
Channel 4, 11.00pm

Based on a book by Elisa Lerner, Mónica Henriquez's documentary celebrates the political aspirations of Venezuelan women in the 1930s and 1940s. Much of the film is impressionistic; we hear snatches of radio romances, catch glimpses of old movies and sense the urgency of a typewriter's clatter, which in turn merges into the sound of a sewing machine. In the foreground, however, there is something more coherent, the clear testament of a generation of women who remember living under a harsh dictator, Vicente Gómez, who remember the almost volcanic eruption of high spirits after he died and who remember campaigning for female suffrage. Tales of a tango singer, a sports queen and a would-be murderer all add up to an intriguing remembrance of Venezuela's past.

Hunters in the Wild: Company of Killers
BBC1, 7.00pm

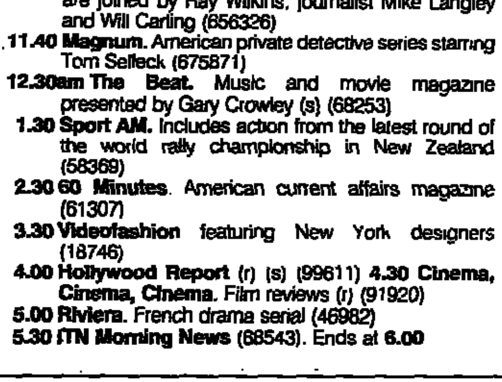
Anthony Hopkins, doomed to be forever associated with Hannibal Lecter, seems to relish his role as narrator for this predictably gory programme. Hannibal may have been a successful solo predator, but Hopkins's message is that in the animal world, teamwork often results in the most efficient killings. We see packs of white wolves with bloody faces, but we also see how animals use teamwork as a way to defend themselves. Thus puffins fly together in circles to outwit attacking gulls and vervet monkeys actually use language; when a snake comes they have a call to signify that particular threat. As always in this series the camerawork is consistently eye-catching if not always ideal for tea-time viewing.

Birthrights: Black Ink
BBC2, 8.00pm

This last film in the series on British culture discusses the history and current role of the black press here. What started out earlier this century as anti-colonial journalism developed so as to reflect the experiences of black people living in Britain. The programme looks especially at *The Voice*, which sells more than 50,000 copies a week. The paper successfully supported the Cardiff Three, who feel that their release from prison came partly as a result of the publicity it generated. Also featured are radical writers such as Darcus Howe, who edited *Race Today*, and former freelance, Iqbal Wahhab, who explains how easy it is to become pigeon-holed by the press as being only capable of writing on black affairs. **Stephanie Billen**

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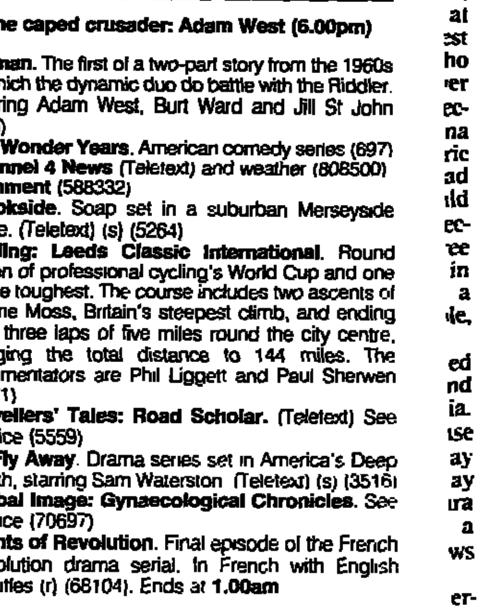
6.00 GMTV (4960790) **9.25 Adventures of the Galaxy Rangers** (r) (5476993) **9.50 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (2110055)
9.55 Anna – Ballerina. Episode one of a German drama about a young girl who wants to become a ballerina (r) (s) (5960871) **10.55 News** and weather (6608516)
11.00 James Bond Jr (6618993) **11.25 Win, Lose or Draw** Celebrity game show (6515852) **11.55 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (9226803)
12.00 Cartoon featuring Donald Duck (7514210) **12.10 Tots TV** (r) (s) (2372993)
12.30 News (Teletext) and weather (8936719) **1.05 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (84718351)
1.15 Home and Away Australian family drama serial. (Teletext) (213784) **1.45 A Country Practice** Medical drama series (s) (212055)
2.15 London Wildlife Challenge Tony Hare and Chris Packham attempt to find 25 different nocturnal creatures on Hampstead Heath before sunrise (r) (s) (300264) **2.45 Families** Soap linking the north of England with Australia (s) (3329871)
3.10 ITN News (1085448) **3.15 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (1084719) **3.20 The Young Doctors.** Australian hospital drama (2609055)
3.50 Cartoon with Porky Pig (1932968) **4.00 Krankies' Television** (r) (4064719) **4.25 The Real Ghostbusters** (r) (2944968) **4.50 Johnny Ball Reveals All.** Johnny finds out that gambling is a mug's game. (Teletext) (8028697)
5.10 Home and Away (r). (Teletext) (2121448)
5.40 News (Teletext) and weather (531603)
6.00 London Tonight. (Teletext) (67516)
7.00 Jimmy's. Real life dramas from St James's University Hospital, Leeds (s) (8974)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (239)
8.00 Wheel of Fortune. Game show (7622)
8.30 World in Action: The Ghostbusters. A look at the work of an elite group of Inland Revenue officers who specialise in investigating the tax affairs of city businessmen, foreign millionaires and top politicians (3429)


Laid-back soccer star: David Thewlis (9.00pm)

9.00 Frank Stubbs Promotes. Comedy drama series starring Timothy Spall as a ticket tout-turned-promoter, this week acquiring a footballer (David Thewlis) as a client. (Teletext) (s) (2887)
10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (32332) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (385581)
10.40 Sport in Question. Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves are joined by Ray Wilkins, journalist Mike Langley and Will Carling (656326)
11.40 Magnum. American private detective series starring Tom Selleck (675871)
12.30am The Beat. Music and movie magazine presented by Gary Crowley (s) (68253)
1.30 Sport AM. Includes action from the latest round of the world rally championship in New Zealand (58369)
2.30 60 Minutes. American current affairs magazine (61307)
3.30 Videofashion featuring New York designers (18746)
4.00 Hollywood Report (r) (s) (99611) **4.30 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema.** Film reviews (r) (91920)
5.00 Riviera. French drama serial (46982)
5.30 ITN Morning News (68543). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.30 Heathcliff. Catty cartoon (1080974) **6.45 Ovide.** Animated adventures of a duck-billed platypus (1203429)
7.00 The Big Breakfast presented by Chris Evans and Gaby Roslin (56061)
9.00 Saved By the Bell. American high school comedy drama (46581)
9.30 Star Street. Cartoon series with characters based on the signs of the zodiac (r) (2942603) **9.55 Kid 'n' Play** (r) (2950622) **10.25 Pugwall.** Australian children's adventures (r) (2293332)
10.55 The Adventures of Tintin. Part two of *The Seven Crystal Balls* (r) (5285528) **11.20 The Henderson Kids.** Australian family drama series (r) (6610351) **11.50 The Shepherd.** Animated short (7154974)
12.00 High 5. Hang-gliding, paragliding and gliding (r) (39245)
12.30 Sesame Street. Early learning series. The guest is Joe Williams (r) (85603) **1.30 Bobobobs** Animation (76210)
2.00 Film: Spare A Copper (1940, b/w) starring George Formby. Ealing comedy about a witless police reservist who unwittingly foils a German plan to sink a battleship on its maiden voyage. With Bernard Lee and Dorothy Hyson. Directed by John Paddy Carstairs (7592595)
3.25 Look at Britain: The Saturday Men (b/w). A vintage look at West Bromwich Albion football club including footage of a youthful Bobby Robson (r) (2606968)
3.55 Garden Club. A repeat of Friday's programme about horticulture in the Highlands. (Teletext) (9074177)
4.30 Countdown Richard Whiteley presides over another round of the words and numbers game. (Teletext) (s) (852)
5.00 Kingdom of the Plains: People of the Great Sand Face. A *Survival* wildlife documentary about the Igwi bushmen of Botswana's Kalahari desert (r). (Teletext) (5887)


The caped crusader: Adam West (6.00pm)

6.00 Batman. The first of a two-part story from the 1960s in which the dynamic duo do battle with the Riddler. Starring Adam West, Burt Ward and Jill St John (245)
6.30 The Wonder Years. American comedy series (697)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (808500)
7.50 Comment (588332)
8.00 Brookside. Soap set in a suburban Merseyside close. (Teletext) (s) (5264)
8.30 Cycling: Leeds Classic International. Round seven of professional cycling's World Cup and one of the toughest. The course includes two ascents of Holme Moss, Britain's steepest climb, and ending with three laps of five miles round the city centre, bringing the total distance to 144 miles. The commentators are Phil Liggett and Paul Sherwen (1871)
9.00 Travellers' Tales: Road Scholar. (Teletext) See Choice (5559)
10.00 I'll Fly Away. Drama series set in America's Deep South, starring Sam Waterston (Teletext) (s) (3516)
11.00 Global Image: Gynaecological Chronicles. See Choice (70697)
12.00 Nights of Revolution. Final episode of the French Revolution drama serial. In French with English subtitles (r) (68104). Ends at **1.00am**

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 1.05pm-1.15 Anglia News (84718351) **2.15** An Invitation To Remember (300264) **2.45-3.10** Families (3329871) **5.10-5.40** Champions (2121448) **6.00** Home And Away (248142) **6.25-7.00** Anglia Weather and Anglia News (863622) **10.30** Anglia News And Weather (385581) **10.40** The Magic And Mystery Show (876142) **11.10** Film: Callan (424790) **1.10am** Kojak (2434630) **2.10** Sport AM (7740659) **3.10** Donahue (3852746) **3.55** The Beat (3853307) **4.50** Riviera (33748543) **5.20-5.30** Jobfinder (9751678)

CENTRAL
As London except: 1.05pm Central News (84718351) **1.15** A Country Practice (213784) **1.45** Home And Away (212055) **2.15** Right Or Wrong (300264) **2.45-3.10** Families (3329871) **3.20-3.50** Deepwater Haven (2609055) **5.10-5.40** Blockbusters (2121448) **6.00** Home And Away (248142) **6.25-7.00** Central News (863622) **10.30** Central News (385581) **10.40** Film: A Lovely Way To Go (Kirk Douglas, Sylva Koscina, Eli Wallach) (35354968) **12.40am** The Beat (5431727) **1.40** Musical Routes (9306901) **2.10** 60 Minutes (7750036) **3.05** Treasures Of The Titanic (792036) **4.50** Job Finder (20140340) **5.05** Take 15 (6073098) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (9751678)

HTV WEST
As London except: 1.05pm-1.15 HTV News & Weather (84718351) **2.15-2.45** Yan Can Cook (300264) **6.00-7.00** HTV News (67516) **10.30** HTV News & Weather (385581) **10.40** The Andy Sheppard Wrap (876142) **11.10** The War Of The Worlds: Goliath is My Name (890448) **12.05am** Capital Challenge (3175901) **1.10** Kojak: The Godson (2434630) **2.10** Sport A.M. (7740659) **3.10** Donahue (3852746) **3.55** The Beat (3853307) **4.50** Riviera (33748543) **5.20-5.30** Jobfinder (9751678)

HTV WALES
As HTV WEST except: 1.05pm-1.15 HTV Wales News (84718351) **6.00** Wales At Six (603) **6.30-7.00** Primetime (555) **10.30** HTV Wales News & Weather (385581) **10.40-11.10** Love At First Sight: Ransom (876142)

MERIDIAN
As London except: 1.05pm-1.15 Meridian News & Weather (84718351) **2.15** Dining In France (300264) **2.45-3.10** Families (3329871) **3.20-3.50** All Together Now (2609055) **5.37-5.40** Boredom Busters (973326) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (603) **6.30-7.00** Starters Orders. Island Games from the Isle of Wight (555) **10.30** Meridian News & Weather (385581) **10.40** Billy (876142) **11.10** Film: Run Simon Run (Burt Reynolds, Inger Stevens) (647993) **12.30am-1.30** The Beat (68253)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 9.50am-9.55 Cartoon (2110055) **1.05pm** Tyne Tees News (17492608) **1.10-1.15** Lookaround (24147531) **1.45** Murder, She Wrote (7223993) **2.45-3.10** Families (3329871) **3.15-3.20** Tyne Tees News (1084719) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today (781429) **6.30-7.00** Robson's People (555) **10.30** Tyne Tees News (385581) **10.40** Tall Ships (876142) **11.10** Prisoner: Cell Block H (890448) **12.05am** Nigel Mansell's Indycar 93 (8060611) **12.35** Film: The Police War (628630) **2.30** Entertainment U.K. (61307) **3.30** ITV Chart Show (3834272) **4.25-5.30** Jobfinder (7599727)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 1.05pm-1.15 Westcountry Latest (84718351) **1.45** The Young Doctors (212055) **2.15** Gardening Time (300264) **2.45-3.10** Families (3329871) **3.20-3.50** A Country Practice (2609055) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (67516) **10.30** Westcountry Latest (385581) **10.40** Westcountry Focus (876142) **11.10** Island Son (512158) **12.10am** Video Arts Interprom (2670098) **1.10** Kojak (2434630) **2.10** Sport A.M. (7740659) **3.10** Donahue (3852746) **3.55** The Beat (3853307) **4.50** Riviera (33748543) **5.20-5.30** Jobfinder (9751678)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 9.50am-9.55 Cartoon (2110055) **1.05pm-1.15** Calendar News (84718351) **1.45** Murder, She Wrote (7223993) **2.45-3.10** Families (3329871) **5.55** Calendar (781429) **6.30-7.00** It's A Vet's Life (555) **10.30** Calendar News (385581) **10.40** Against All Odds (876142) **11.10** Prisoner: Cell Block H (890448) **12.05am** Nigel Mansell's Indycar 93 (6060611) **12.35** Film: The Police War (628630) **2.30** Entertainment U.K. (61307) **3.30** ITV Chart Show (3834272) **4.25-5.30** Jobfinder (7599727)

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Starts: 7.00am The Big Breakfast (56061) **9.00** Saved By The Bell (46581) **9.30** Star Street (2942603) **9.55** Kid 'n Play (6196806) **10.20** Pugwall (3851264) **10.45** The Adventures Of Tintin (4235852) **11.10** The Henderson Kids (5720559) **11.35** The Herbs (6122719) **12.05pm** The Bluffers (8204142) **12.30** Sesame Street (85603) **1.30** Hangin' With Mr Cooper (76210) **2.00** Film: The Male Animal (186887) **3.50** What On Earth (1923210) **4.00** Garden Club (965) **4.30** The Wonder Years (852) **5.00** Countdown (3852) **5.30** Brookside (332) **6.00** Newyddion (691210) **6.10** Hero (159806) **7.00** Jacpot (6516) **7.30** Hollol Bananas (581) **8.00** Mewn Twll (5264) **8.30** Newyddion (454061) **8.55** Fourmations Winners: Alternative Fringe (868516) **9.00** Cycling. Leeds Classic (2535) **9.30** Cheers (60503) **10.00** I'll Fly Away (492535) **10.55** Travellers' Tales (643852) **11.55** Dream On (617332) **12.25am** Film: Street Of Dreams (8570272)

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am Cartoons (4869559) **6.20** Lamb Chops Play-a-Long (1041852) **6.50** The DJ Kat Show (10035054) **9.30** The Pyramid Game (21513) **10.00** Card Sharks (6140535) **10.25** Concentration (7062245) **10.50** Dynamo Duck (5997111) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (40644) **12.00** E Street (98697) **12.30pm** Three's *Company* (13719) **1.00** Falcon Crest (71054) **2.00** Once an Eagle: Mini series with Sam Elliott (1/9) (8522993) **2.55** Another World (2036516) **3.45** The DJ Kat Show (5264245) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (4177) **6.00** Games World (1719) **6.30** E Street (2871) **7.00** Rescue (5806) **7.30** Full House (8055) **8.00** From the Dead of Night: Concluding the mini-series with Lindsay Wagner (55719) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (61326) **11.00-12.00** The Streets of San Francisco (90429)

SKY NEWS
News on the hour.
6.30am Sunrise (529500) **9.30** Roving Report (97535) **10.30** Memories (73413) **11.30** Business Report (73245) **12.30pm** News and Business Report (57429) **1.30** CBS The Morning (58158) **2.30** Memories (39582) **3.30** Travel Destinations (50041) **4.30** News and Business Report (5968) **5.00** Live at Five (120968) **7.30** Special Report (6697) **9.30** Talkback (52061) **11.30** CBS News (84897) **12.30am** ABC News (86475) **1.30** CBS News **2.30** Memories (93458) **4.30** Special Report (35920) **5.30-6.00** CBS News

SKY MOVIES PLUS
6.00am Showcase (3772719)
10.00 An American Tail: Fievel Goes West (1991). Cartoon adventures (17535)
12.00 Primo Baby (1989): A teenage girl trains a blind racehorse (85055)
2.00pm Under the Yum Yum Tree (1963): Comedy with Jack Lemmon (58806)
4.00 Triumph of the Heart (1991): A sportsman befriends a disabled boy (6581)
6.00 One Against the Wind (1991): Judy Davis stars as the second world war heroine Mary Lindell (65142)
8.00 A Promise to Keep (1990): A dying mother leaves her children to her brother (45303852) **9.40 UK Top Ten** (173245)
10.00 Eve of Destruction (1990): Rene Soutendijk plays a military android (523055)
11.40 Captive (1991). Joanna Kerns is kidnapped by escaped convicts (930582)
1.30am The Forgotten One (1990): A ghost haunts Kristy McNichol (87755746)
3.50 Lock Up Your Daughters (1969): Adaptation of Henry Fielding's *Rape Upon Rape* (2295253). Ends at **4.30**

SKY MOVIES GOLD
6.00pm The Day They Gave Babies Away (1957). A Scottish family of pioneers find their American dream is far from idyllic (36622)
8.00 The Pink Panther (1964): Peter Sellers plays the bumbling French sleuth (42239)
10.00 Spacehunter: Adventures in the Forbidden Zone (1983): An intergalactic hero, Peter Strauss, searches for three women on a hostile planet. With Molly Ringwald (85142). Ends at **11.30**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am The Black Cat (1941, b/w): A castle is the venue for the reading of a will (30852)
8.00 Sinbad: Animation (58245)
9.00 Swallows and Amazons (1980) Arthur Ransome's classic (14659500)
10.40 Chance of a Lifetime (1990): Betty White embarks on a holiday romance with Leslie Nielsen (91573784)
12.20pm A Night in Havana (1957): Errol Flynn plays a croupier in Cuba (646968)
2.00 The Rat Race (1960). Tony Curtis lives with Debbie Reynolds (56448)
4.00 Sinbad (as 8am) (5121)
6.00 Home Alone (1990) Macaulay Culkin defends the family home (63784)
8.00 Drop Dead Fred (1991) Phoebe Cates has an imaginary friend in Rik Mayall (48429)
10.00 Deadly Intentions... Again? (1991): Harry Hamlin plots to murder his wife, Joanna Kerns (521697)
11.40 To Sleep with Anger (1990). Danny Glover visits a troubled family (746719)
1.25am Child of Darkness, Child of Light (1991). A virgin birth spawns an anti-christ. With Anthony John Dennison (1018833)
2.55 Somebody Has to Shoot the Picture (1990): A gangster hires a photographer to record his execution (152369). Ends at **4.35**

SKY SPORTS
7.00am Prime Bodies (52239) **7.30** Women's Pro Beach Volleyball (46264) **8.00** Prime Bodies (49245) **9.30** School Athletics Championship (42055) **10.30** ATP Tennis (20784) **12.30pm** FA Premier League Football: Norwich City v Manchester Utd (16535) **2.30** US PGA Golf (356546) **5.00** Windsurfing (4142) **5.30** Trucks 'n' Tractor Power (1790) **6.00** Soccer News (314784) **6.15** WWF Wrestling Challenge (939784) **7.00** Monday Night Football. Tottenham Hotspur v Arsenal (18295245) **10.15** Soccer News (336887) **10.30** Ringside Superbouts (79806) **11.30** National Cycle League (16993) **12.00-2.00am** Monday Night Football (as 7pm) (55678)

EUROSPORT
7.30am Step Aerobics (59142) **8.00** Athletics (94061) **9.00** Golf: Austrian Open (21974) **10.00** Hungarian Grand Prix (55326) **11.00** Motorsport (31790) **12.00** IAAF Athletics (3414887) **3.30pm** Eurofun (4887) **4.00** Grand Prix (71239) **5.00** Athletics (1525603) **8.30** News (7429) **9.00** Athletics (91535) **10.00** Eurogoals (94622) **11.00** Golf (56055) **12.00-12.30am** Eurosport News (43272)

UK GOLD
7.00am Defenders of the Earth (9384087) **7.30** Neighbours (5885072) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (1463500) **8.30** EastEnders (1462871) **9.00** The Bill (1559351) **9.30** The Pallisers (1184142) **10.30** South of the Border (2447974) **11.30** Rhoda (8121429) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (1546887) **12.30pm** Neighbours (5260500) **1.00** EastEnders (4547388) **1.30** The Bill (5269871) **2.00** George and Mildred (1890158) **2.30** Shelley (7728992) **3.00** Dallas (8125245) **4.00** Dynasty (8031852) **5.00** Blankety Blank (1701210) **5.30** Give Us a Clue (9623528) **6.00** Neighbours (6378451) **6.30** The Pallisers (60481427) **7.30** George and Mildred (7924595) **8.00** EastEnders (1803622) **8.30** Shelley (1899429) **9.00** South of the Border (1238622) **10.00** The Bill (1547516) **10.30** Naked Video (1556264) **11.00** Top of the Pops (6902637) **11.50** Dr Who (1503264) **12.20-1.50am** Film: Wagonmaster (1950 b/w) starring Ben Johnson (76399833)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00 Jack in the Box (44351) **7.00** Babar (6822577) **7.55** Raikan II (1972626) **8.30** Hammerman (90993) **9.00** Pugwall's Summer (81245) **9.30** Rude Dog and the Dweebs, Ovide and the Gang (18887) **10.00** Chocky's Children (35055) **10.30** The New Adventures of He-man (67429) **11.00** Spiff and Hercules (91061) **11.30** Say Ahhh! (92790) **12.00** You Can't Do That on Television (28210) **1.00pm** The Dreamstone (23326) **1.30** Gravedale High (11974) **2.00** Adventure (6332) **2.30** Say Ahhh! (5332) **3.00** Babar (2890719) **3.25** Raikan II (5429887) **3.30** The Berenstain Bears (7177) **4.00** Bobobobs (3784) **4.30** Betty's Bunch (9968) **5.00** Phoenix Hall (4784) **5.30** Saved by the Bell (6448) **6.00-7.00** Fame (20622)

RADIO 3

6.35am Open University: The New Curiosity Shop – Trilobite Tales
6.55 Weather **7.00 On Air:** Sibelius (Night Ride and Sunrise, Op 55); D'Indy (Symphony on a French Mountain Song), Borodin (Nocturne); Bach (Toccata and Fugue in D minor, BWV 538, Dorian)
9.00 Composer of the Week: Girolamo Frescobaldi: Mass for the Feast of St Matthew, including the Mass for Apostles from Fiori Musicali; Canzona La Bellerofonte
10.00 BBC Philharmonic under Günther Herbig performs Brahms (Variations on a Theme of Haydn, Op 56a), Tchaikovsky (Piano Concerto No 1 in B flat minor: John Lill); Brahms (Symphony No 3 in F)
11.35 Prom Artist of the Week. Frank Peter Zimmermann, violin, performs Debussy (Violin Sonata: with Alexander Lonquich, piano); Mozart (Adagio in E, K261: Württemberg Chamber Orchestra under Jörg Faerber)
12.00 First Among Originals: Nicholas Anderson celebrates the fortieth anniversary of the Vienna Concentus Musicus
1.00pm News 1.05 Cricklade Music Festival 1992: Vellinger Quartet performs Haydn (String Quartet in C, Op 54 No 2), Dvořák (String Quartet in G, Op 77); Gershwin (Lullaby for strings)
2.15 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra under Tadaaki Otaka performs Grieg (Peer Gynt Suite No 1, Op 46); Nielsen (Flute Concerto: Susan Milan), Sibelius (Lemminkainen Legends, Op 22)
3.45 Kuijken Trio performs Telemann (Sonata in B minor, Methodische Sonaten); Couperin (Suite in E minor, Pièces de violes); Locatelli (Flute Sonata in C, Op 2 No 1); C.P.E. Bach (Flute Sonata in A minor, Wq 132); J.S. Bach (Trio Sonata in G, BWV 1039)
5.00 In Tune with Rodney Slatford
7.30 BBC Proms: Live from the Albert Hall, London. London Philharmonic Orchestra under Franz Welser-Möst performs Bartók (Dance Suite); Dvořák (Violin Concerto in A minor: Frank Peter Zimmermann)
8.25 Hans Richter. Christopher Fifield examines the conductor's work. **8.45** Brahms (Symphony No 4 in E minor)
9.35 Chita: Lafcadio Hearn's dramatic novel about the tidal wave that swamped the Creole society holiday resort of Last Island in the Louisiana Bayou in 1861. Ronald Pickup reads the first of a three-part adaptation by Roger Frith (r)
10.00 Minute Operas: L'Enlèvement d'Europe (The Rape of Europa). Chorus and Capella Cracoviensis under Karl Anton Rickenbacker performs the first of three operas by Darius Milhaud. With Bogdan Makal, Aleksandra Baranska, Zbigniew Grygielski and Maciej Rudzinski
10.15 Giles Swayne: Riff-Raff (Kevin Bowyer, organ)
10.45 Book, Music and Lyrics: Robert Cushman presents a personal view of musicals, with songs from original cast recordings
11.30 Music Restored: Emma Kirkby, soprano, London Baroque under Charles Medlam perform Corelli (Trio Sonata in G minor, Op 3 No 11); Handel (Tu fedel? Tu costante?; Trio Sonata in G minor, Op 2 No 5; Salve Regina) **12.30-12.35am News**

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.45** Business News **7.25, 8.25** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.35** The Week on 4 **8.43** Kitchen Philosophers: The Philosopher in the Kitchen, by Brillat-Savarin. Read by Simon Callow **8.58** Weather
9.00 News
9.05 Live Wires: Richard Coles and Emma Freud explore the appetites and aversions of British people
10.00-10.30 Worldly Wise (FM only): Peter Hobday quizzes Rosie Boycott, Andy Hamilton, Lorelei King and David Thomas on the English language
10.00 News; Daily Service (LW only) from Wakefield Cathedral
10.15 The Bible (LW only): II Samuel. Robert Powell reads the first of four parts
10.30 Woman's Hour: Jennifer Paterson demonstrates the perfect mayonnaise. Incl **11.00 News**
11.30 Inside Money: Taking the sting out of divorce (r)
12.00 News; You and Yours, with John Howard
12.25pm Brain of Britain 1993: Highest scoring runners up Robert Robinson chairs the fourth semi-final **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Tiger! Tiger! Alun Armstrong, Tony Church and Lesley Manville star in Ivan Benbrook's play, adapted from Alfred Bester's cult 1950s science-fiction novel. Abandoned in space, Gulliver Foyle survives to wreak his revenge (r)
3.30 Conversations with Historians: John Miller talks to Ben Pimlott, professor of politics and contemporary history at Birkbeck College, London, the biographer of Hugh Dalton and Harold Wilson **4.00 News**
4.05 Kaleidoscope: The composer Steve Reich talks about his new work, *The Cage*; and there are reviews of *Pericles* and *The Comedy of Errors*
4.45 Short Story: End of Story, by Michael Carson. Read by John Baddeley
5.00 PM with Jon Sopel and Linda Lewis **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue: Humphrey Lyttleton chairs the antidote to panel games. With Willie Rushton, Barry Cryer, Graeme Garden and Tim Brooke-Taylor (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 The Art of Travel: Annette Kobak discovers that Paul Theroux finds the English coast a very foreign country (r)
7.45 The Monday Play: A Woman of Judah. See Choice
9.15 Kaleidoscope (r)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight, with Robin Lustig
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Fever Pitch. See Choice
11.00 You Heard It Here First: Delve Special. Stephen Fry, as the private detective David Lander, investigates a new additive in food (r)
11.30 The Gypsy Genius: Max Harrison explores the guitarist Django Reinhardt's collaborations with American jazz musicians (r)
12.00-12.43am News, incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

CHOICE

The Monday Play: A Woman of Judah. *Radio 4, 7.45pm.*
With his new play, set in a Dorset town in the 1930s, Ronald Frame shows how to parcel a riddle inside an enigma and then tie so many knots in the string that it cannot be undone. The town's judgment is that a GP's wife (a seductive performance from Ruth Gemmell) is a threat to the moral integrity of the local menfolk. When scandal erupts, a naive young lawyer (James Telfer) defends her. In later years, the lawyer (now Peter Barkworth) looks back on the scandal. He is older now. But is he really any the wiser about the woman who once told him that life is governed by its mysteries?

A Book at Bedtime: Fever Pitch. *Radio 4, 10.45pm.*
Nick Hornby's long love affair with Arsenal football club began at Highbury in 1968 – his first experience of professional soccer. Yet, recalling the occasion in his autobiography, from which he reads tonight, it is not the players he remembers most vividly but the anger of the crowd, shading off into sullen silences. Clearly, Hornby is not your common or garden football fan, but a student of the psychology of popular theatre. **Peter Davalle**

RADIO 1
FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Bruno Brookes (FM only) **6.00** Simon Mayo **9.00** Mark Goodier **11.00** 1 FM Summer Roadshow from Torquay **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45** Jakki Brambles **3.00** Steve Wright in the Afternoon **6.00** News '93 **6.30** Mark Goodier's Evening Session **8.30** Loud and Proud: A new magazine for gays and lesbians **9.00** Out on Blue Six **10.00** Emma Freud **12.00-4.00am** Bob Harris (FM)

RADIO 2
FM Stereo. **5.00am** Sarah Kennedy **6.15** Pause for Thought **7.05** Wake Up to Wogan **9.15** Pause for Thought **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.30** Jimmy Young **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Hubert Gregg **7.30** Alan Dell **8.30** Big Band Special **9.00** The Best of Jazz with Kenny Baker **10.00** Jazz Greats. The Duke Ellington Story **10.30** The Jamesons **12.05am** Digby Fairweather with Jazz Notes **1.00** Steve Madden **3.00-5.00** Alex Lester

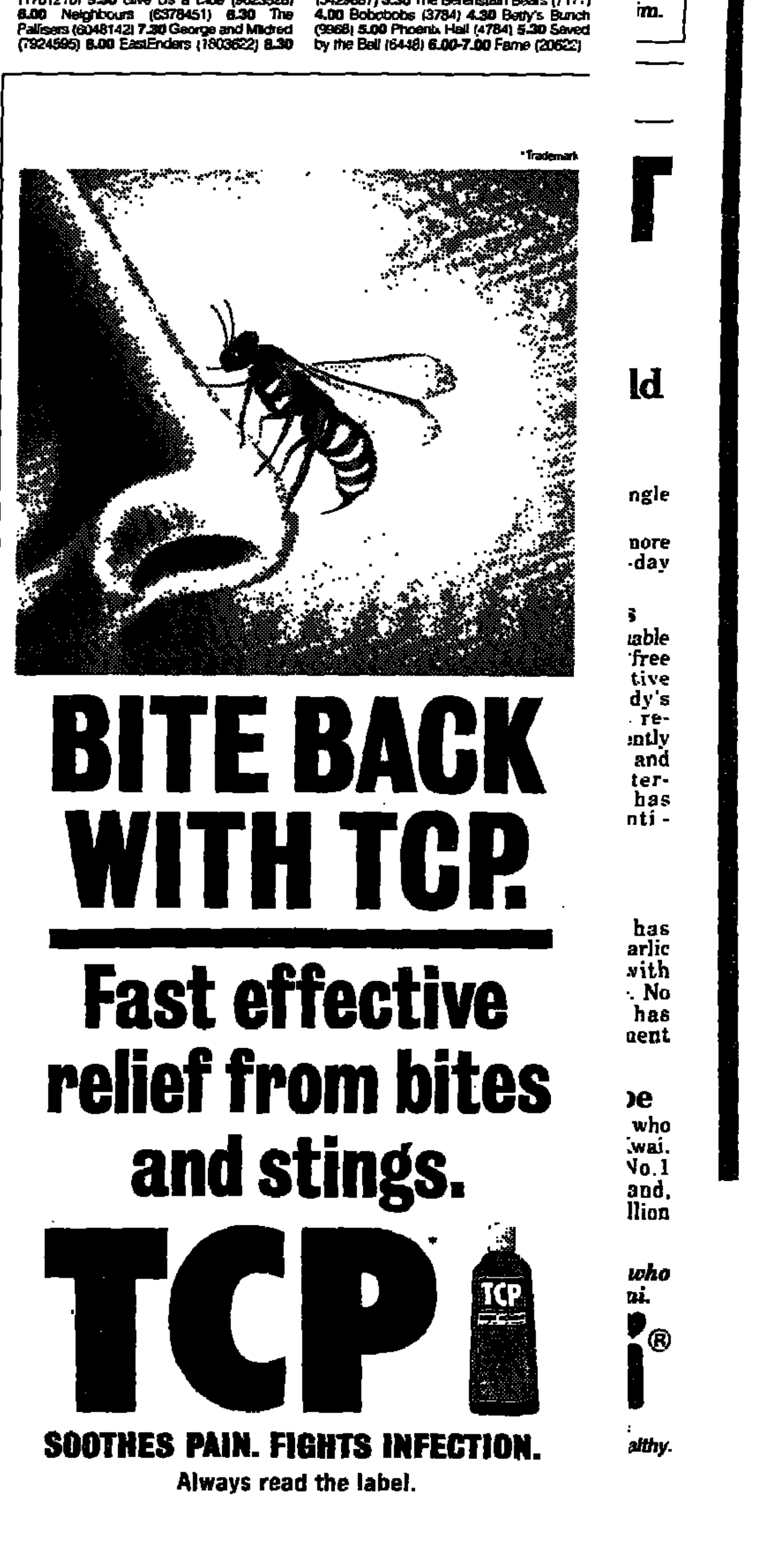
RADIO 5
News and sport on the hour until **7.00pm. 6.00am** World Service **6.30** Danny Baker's Morning Edition **9.00** Take Five **10.25** Wiggly Park **10.30** Johnnie Walker **12.30pm** In the Hot Seat **1.00** News Update **1.10** BFBS Worldwide **2.30** Summer Sport at the World Athletics Championships **7.30** Champion Sport, including Tottenham Hotspur v Arsenal **10.10** Fabulous! **12.00-12.10am** News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE
All times in **BST. 4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News and Press Review in German **5.00** Morgenmagazin, Tips für Touristen **5.30** Off the Shelf: The End of the Affair **5.45** Andy Kershaw's World of Music **6.00** News **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.10** News About Britain **7.15** Recording of the Week **7.30** Images of Women, Images of Men **8.00** News **8.30** Images of Wales **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Health Matters **9.30** Anything Goes **10.00** News **10.05** World Business Report **10.15** Parallel Lives **10.30** Andy Kershaw's World of Music **10.45** Sport **11.00** Images of Women, Images of Men **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **11.59** Business Update **Noon** News **12.30pm** Composer of the Month: Mendelssohn **1.00** News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Brain of Britain **1.45** Sport **2.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: The End of the Affair **3.45** The Miles Kington Interview **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** Heute Aktuell **5.00** News **5.10** News About Britain **5.15** BBC English **6.00** News **6.05** World Business Report **6.15** The World Today **6.30** Heute Aktuell **7.05** German Features **8.00** News **8.05** Outlook **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Sport **9.30** The Vintage Chart Show **10.00** News **11.10** News About Britain **11.15** The Essential Guides to Music **11.45** Sport **Midnight** News **12.05am** Business Report **12.15** On Screen **12.30** Multitrack 1 **1.00** News **1.30** Game, Set and Match **2.00** News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Folk Routes **2.45** Health Matters **3.00** News **3.30** Brain of Britain **4.00** News **4.10** News About Britain **4.15** Sport

CLASSIC FM
5.00am Nick Bailey **9.00** Henry Kelly **12.00** Susannah Simons **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: Tchaikovsky (Piano Concerto No 1 in B flat minor: Andrei Gavrilov) **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **6.00** Classic Reports **7.00** Classical Gas **8.00** Evening Concert: Dvořák (Overture, Othello); Mendelssohn (Overture, A Midsummer Night's Dream), Strauss (Macbeth, Op 23) **10.00** Michael Mappin **1.00-5.00am** André Leon

VIRGIN 1215
6.00am Russ and Jono's Rock 'n' Roll Breakfast **10.00** Richard Skinner **1.00pm** Kevin Greening **4.00** Tommy Vance **7.00** Mitch Johnson **10.00** Nick Abbot **2.00-6.00am** Wendy Lloyd

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Market nervous over Soros 'departure from gold'

BY COLIN CAMPBELL
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GOLD markets are set for a nervous opening today after weekend reports that George Soros, the international fund manager who made a $1 billion from his high-profile speculation against sterling last October, has quit the physical gold market.

Mr Soros and Sir James Goldsmith, the financier, attracted an international following earlier this year when, at a time when the gold price was $330 an ounce, they announced a series of gold-related investments. They had a Pied Piper effect.

But bullion traders said yesterday that *if* Mr Soros *had now sold out, then they would not be surprised.*

One said: "He is a trader to his finger tips, and since it was generally accepted that he moved into gold at around $330 when there was no downside potential, and *if* he has sold out in recent weeks at, say, just below $400, then he will have a made an at least 20 per cent profit on his outlay — and all within four months.".

However, Mr Soros, who runs the $30 billion Quantum Fund, does not comment on his dealings, although he is understood still to hold 10 million shares in Newmont Mining, America's largest gold mining company.

Mr Soros's definition of what he regards as "short, medium and long term" is also his secret. Sir James, however, is an avowed believer in gold, and traders draw some comfort from reports that he remains in the market — for the long term.

Analysts said, however, that the market never needed either man to give the gold its March "kick". The fundamentals for increasing interest in, and demand for, gold had been evident to the professionals for some months, long before the much publicised Soros/Goldsmith entry.

"I would be very pleased if George was out," one said, "so that the market will no longer be distracted by rumours of his dealings."

In highly volatile trading last week, gold dropped sharply, finishing the week at $368.75 an ounce. A trader said: "If gold today absorbs the Soros news and does not fall below $360, then all will be well."



Not guilty: Robert Altman celebrating with his actress wife, Lynda Carter, right, and other supporters after being cleared of BCCI charges

Lawyer freed as jurors reject all BCCI charges

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON
IN NEW YORK

ROBERT Altman, accused of conspiring to enable the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce International to flourish in America, was cleared of all criminal charges at the weekend.

Mr Altman, 46, a Washington lawyer, was acquitted at the New York State Supreme Court after a five-month trial involving 45 witnesses during which he had, before the throwing out of bribery charges, faced 16 years in jail and fines of $80 million. He denied all charges, but did not testify.

He was charged with Clark Clifford, a former US Defence Secretary and adviser to four Democratic presidents.

Mr Altman and Mr Clifford were said to have helped BCCI to take illegal control of First American Bankshares, Washington's largest bank, in which they were senior executives. Mr Clifford, 86, is recovering from open heart surgery and was too ill to stand trial. He has denied all charges.

Mr Altman, husband of Lynda Carter, star of the television series *Wonder Woman*, could still face federal charges in Washington alleging he deceived US bank regulators. These charges were dismissed without prejudice in April. However, the new attorney-general, Janet Reno, has said that the result of the New York case would determine whether fresh charges are brought by federal agents. There are still civil cases against Mr Altman.

Robert Morgenthau, the New York district attorney, said after the trial that his investigation continues. Ten people, including Mr Clifford, still face trial. The Altman verdict is seen as a blow to the septuagenarian Mr Morgenthau, who was first to suspect trouble at BCCI and began investigations in March 1989. He was praised last year by the US Kerry report into the affair, which said that without his efforts the Bank of England might have proceeded with a restructuring of BCCI and simply hoped for the best.

Mr Morgenthau accused Mr Altman and Mr Clifford of scheming to defraud regulators by disguising BCCI's role as a major shareholder in First American.

Five people and five corporations have pleaded guilty in New York and forfeited $750 million in connection with BCCI's failure, in July 1991, which left 115,000 British depositors facing losses of up $3.52 billion.

Some jurors and Mr Altman's family burst into tears as the verdict was read late on Saturday evening after four days of deliberation. Mr Altman and his family later hugged jurors outside the courtroom. He told reporters: "The prosecution should never have brought the case."

Jurors said that they had had trouble believing prosecution witnesses who had struck deals to protect themselves. One juror, John Schaaf, said: "All the prosecution did was drag a good man's name through the dirt."

In Britain, Touche Ross, the liquidator, is suing the Bank of England for failing to regulate BCCI properly and has issued writs against Price Waterhouse and Ernst & Young, the former auditors, for more than $8 billion.

1989 March	New York District Attorney begins BCCI probe
1991 July	BCCI's $20bn collapse. Closed in seven countries amid criticism of the Bank of England.
1992 July	Robert Altman and Clark Clifford charged with bribery, fraud and deceiving banking regulators.
1992 Oct	Senator John Kerry report into scandal criticises Bank of England, US Justice Dept and Federal Reserve; praises NY District Attorney.
1993 March	Trial begins against Robert Altman; Clark Clifford too ill to face joint trial.
1993 April	Washington charges dismissed in a way that they could be resurrected.
1993 July	Robert Altman acquitted of charges in NY case.

British Gas domestic monopoly under threat

BY SUSAN GILCHRIST

BRITISH Gas's domestic monopoly of the gas supply market is set to be broken this week after a year-long investigation by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Its findings, which will be published tomorrow, are also likely to impose strict financial controls, damaging the group's profitability.

However, it is widely believed the MMC will stop short of the radical breakup of British Gas into competing, separately quoted companies as lobbied for by Ofgas, the industry regulator. Such a move would be politically contentious and could be interpreted as a tacit admission by the government that gas privatisation had failed.

British Gas has fiercely resisted breakup, claiming it would lead to higher bills for customers. It found an unlikely ally earlier in the year in the Gas Consumers Council. The MMC will probably settle for separate accounting of the group's distribution and supply sides in order to clarify its charging structure.

The opening up of the domestic tariff market to competition, however, will go ahead. The MMC will probably suggest a phased introduction which will see competitors, such as Utilicorp and Total Gas, coming into the market before 1998.

Limited competition already exists in the industrial contract market and has generated savings of some £100 million to date, according to research commissioned by Utilicorp. The company says competition among domestic consumers would reduce bills by 10 per cent.

Greater competition will have a detrimental impact on British Gas's bottom line. Ian Graham, an analyst at NatWest Securities, estimates the group could lose up to £250 million in profits, particularly if its "best" customers switch to rival suppliers.

But British Gas profits could be hit even harder by the MMC's decision on the rate of return allowed on its transportation and storage business. The company is seeking a return of 6.7 per cent but evidence submitted to the MMC by Ofgas recommends a rate of only 2-4 per cent.

The outcome is critical for shareholders as every 1 per cent reduction in the allowed rate reduces gas supply operating profits by £180 million, according to Michael Sayers of Salomon Brothers. A figure significantly below 6 per cent could inhibit British Gas's future dividend growth.

Some industry observers believe the group will be forced to cut costs — and staff — drastically to compensate for the expected loss of market share resulting from competition and the imposition of stricter financial controls. It is estimated that as many as 10,000 jobs could be lost in the next few years.

A squeeze on profits could also hinder British Gas's investment in both its exploration and production division and its global gas business, which are being developed to provide long-term earnings growth.

The publication of the MMC's report marks the final showdown between British Gas and Sir James McKinnon, head of Ofgas, who is stepping down this autumn.

The relationship, which has always been combative, reached new lows during the enquiry as the two sides became embroiled in increasingly acrimonious public exchanges over the potential breakup of the company.

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Sir James: showdown

Paris arm-wrestles for the *franc fort*

BY JANET BUSH IN LONDON AND SEAN MAC CARTHAIGH IN PARIS

WHEN it comes to keeping the franc as *fort* as possible, the French, it seems, will stop at nothing. Two weeks after the crisis in the exchange-rate mechanism brought the system to its knees, the extent of French arm-twisting is only now becoming clear.

Speculators bore the brunt of of the ire of Edouard Balladur, the prime minister. But economists, analysts and even mere journalists found pressure was being brought over the so-called "Anglo-Saxon conspiracy".

The French government has indulged in extensive arm-twisting and veiled threats to prevent French banks and brokers — and even foreign securities houses — from criticising its economic policy and questioning the position of the franc.

Pressure was brought to bear, not only on nationalised French banks, but also on those that have been privatised. French economic journalists said they had enormous difficulty in getting even their usual contacts at French banks to speak freely during the crisis, and that these contacts had admitted that they had been ordered not to talk to the press and, particularly, not to speak ill of the franc.

In one case, an economist at a government-owned French bank in London, who had been critical of the French government's broader economic policy before the franc came under pressure, was subsequently barred from writing his analysis of events if they related in any way to French policy, the franc, the ERM or Europe.

He said: "I feel that I am not being allowed to service my clients and I am not even sure I am complying with the regulations of the City of London."

The French were blunt in blaming pressure on the franc on an "Anglo-Saxon conspiracy" and particularly marked out Goldman Sachs, Salomon Brothers and Merrill Lynch, for criticism.



Balladur: veiled threats

Pay-rise figures raise competition hopes

BY OUR CITY STAFF

PAY rises in manufacturing are continuing to fall, boosting Britain's competitiveness, according to figures out today.

Manufacturing pay awards averaged 2.3 per cent in the second quarter of this year, against 2.5 per cent in the first quarter and 4 per cent in the second quarter of 1992, the Confederation of British Industry said. The figure is the lowest noted by the CBI since its records began in 1977.

CBI research also indicates that manufacturing productivity continues to rise; companies reported gains averaging 3.8 per cent in the second quarter, against 3.1 per cent in the first and 2.1 per cent in the second quarter of 1992.

Service company pay rises averaged 2.9 per cent in the second quarter, against 1992's second-quarter 4.1 per cent.

☐ Finance directors of the biggest companies are "overwhelmingly confident" that industry will continue to narrow the productivity gap with the world's most efficient economies. A survey for the investment group 3i, said that competition benefits of last year's sterling devaluation would be sustained. John Platt, 3i executive director, said: "There is every sign that 1993 will show a rise in productivity higher than any since the early 1980s."

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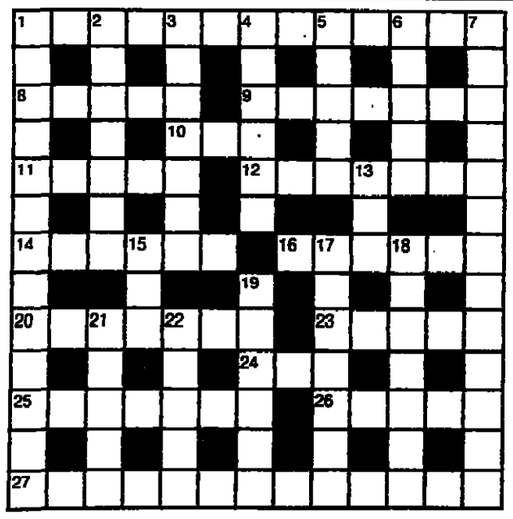
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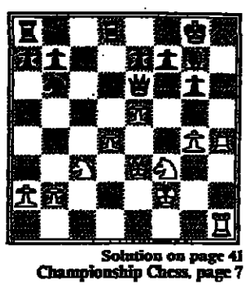
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WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

Today's position is from the game Wockenfuss - Lingnau, Bad Worishofen 1992. The key to this position is the powerful line-up of White's rooks on the h-file. How did White break through?

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WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

YEME
a. A ewe lamb
b. Care and attention
c. A Dutch sailing boat

VERMIAN
a. A vermilion dye from snails
b. Spring-like
c. Wormy

HEMMING
a. A deer's hide shoe
b. A Ming celadon saucer
c. Hunting mice

INTRIGO
a. An itching rash
b. An intrigue
c. A child's game

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